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Notorious Gossip

The secretary of a small village
football club wrote asking another
club to meet them in friendly
rivalry.

The secretary of the latter wrote
naming a date on which they
would be willing to play, "on con-
dition that later in the season you
will give us a 'quid pro quo'—a
return game.

The village club had no men on
its committee who understood the
meaning of the phrase, so a few
days later the other secretary re-
plied:—"My committee has asked
me to send the pound for the pro-
fessional you mentioned, although
they are surprised at such a re-
quest from a club of your stand-
ing."

Mrs. Brown had suddenly be-
come very friendly with all her
neighbours. There were two rea-
sons for this state of things. She
found that going out to meals
saved washing up, and this was a
consideration when she had just
lost her maid. She also thought
she might possibly come across
another girl during her visits.

"I do wish I could get a good
maid," she said, while having tea
with the woman who lived next
door but one.

"Why," replied the hostess,
"perhaps Mary would do."
"Mary?" asked the other in de-
light, "is she leaving you?"
"Yes," said the hostess, "she
says she wants a situation where
there's not so much silver to
clean."

His wife had been away from
home for a week visiting friends,
and he had been "camping out" at
home in her absence.

"How did you manage, you poor
darling?" she questioned on her
return. "Did you really get enough
to eat?"

"I lived like a fighting-cock, my
dear!" boasted her husband.
"Bacon and tomatoes for break-
fast. Steak or chop in the even-
ings. Oh, I've become an expert
cook."

"But dear, why bacon and
tomatoes all at once? You know
you've always said that bacon and
eggs is the only breakfast dish for
an Englishman."

"Well, I was beat there," he said,
looking a little sheepish. "Now
tell me, dear, how in the name of
Beeton do you manage to make
eggs stick on the griller while you
cook 'em?"

A simple countryman saw a
gaudy-plumaged parrot on the
roof of his cottage. He climbed up
to capture it.

The parrot looked at him and
said sharply, "What do you want?"
The countryman touched his
cap. "Beg pardon, sir. I thought
you was a bird."

KILLED WHILE TAKING HOME SICK SON

London, Dec. 24.
An inquest was opened at Swin-
don on a 78-years-old widow who
was killed while taking home her
dying son to Swindon.

The woman, Mrs. Amy Buck-
land, who had lived all her life
in a caravan, was killed when the
caravan overturned on Liddington
Hill, four miles from their destina-
tion, following a snowstorm.

It was stated that the son, Nel-
son Buckland, who had been in
hospital at Hounslow (Middlesex)
with an incurable complaint, his
wife mother, and brother were
travelling in a caravan drawn by
a motor-lorry.

The snow made the frozen
ground slippery and the lorry and
the caravan overturned.

The son, Nelson, and the driver
of the lorry received serious in-
juries.

The inquest was adjourned.

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS

T.T. ON LONDON.—1/3 id. (nom).

T.T. ON NEW YORK.—\$2.1/16

LOST ANTARCTIC AIRMEN

Departure Of The Discovery II

Melbourne, Dec. 28.
The Royal Research Ship, Dis-
covery II, left for the Antarctic at
dawn on Tuesday on her way to
take part in the search for the lost
American explorer, Mr. Lincoln
Ellsworth, and his pilot.

She carries two aeroplanes fitted
with floats, and a number of
sledges, including that belonging
to Sir Douglas Mawson, which
played an important part in the
discovery of portions of Antarctica.
If any land work is necessary, the
sledges will be hauled by men, as
the Discovery II carries no dogs.
Five additional persons joined the
ship at Melbourne, including a
16-year-old Melbourne boy named
Tommy Dalton, who has signed on
as an ordinary seaman. Dalton's
grandfather, Captain Thomas
Houston, was a cabin boy with the
expedition which searched for
Franklin in the Arctic.

The Discovery II will put into
Dunedin for extra oil fuel which
will be provided by the expense of
the New Zealand Government,
who wish to share the cost of the
expedition with Great Britain and
Australia. Lieutenant Hill, R.N.R.,
the captain, has been instructed
to proceed to the edge of the ice-
pack. There he will send back a
report which will be considered, in
conjunction with the latest in-
formation available from other
sources, by the Discovery Com-
mittee in London, to whom Lieut-
enant Hill is directly responsible.

Except in urgent circumstances,
the Discovery II should leave the
Bay of Whales for Dunedin or
Hobart no later than March 15.
Mr. Parkhill, the Australian Minis-
ter of Defence, has stated that
owing to lack of accommodation it
has been impossible to send a
second air pilot or to find room in
the expedition for Sir Douglas
Mawson, who was most anxious to
take part.

Mr. Ellsworth and his com-
panion were apparently forced
down during their flight across
Antarctica which began on Novem-
ber 23. Faint wireless signals were
afterwards heard from them.

Racing—Entries close for Annual Race Meeting, 3 p.m.

Rugby.—Triangular Tourna-
ment, Royal Navy v. Army (Cause-
way Bay), 4 p.m.

Moon.—XII Moon, 24th Day.

Sunrise.—7.08 a.m. Sunset.—6.02
p.m.

Tides.—High at 2.09 and 15.54;
Low at 8.14.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19.

Cinemas

King's:—"Here's To Romance."

Queen's:—"Dr. Socrates."

Oriental:—"Chinese Picture."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"Here's To Romance."

Majestic:—"Woman Wanted."

Star:—"Wings in the Dark."

Sports

Cricket.—Indian R.C. v. Gradu-
ates' Association (F).

Football.—First Division, South
China "A" v. Royal Artillery, Stone-
cutters (Caroline Hill), 4 p.m.

Third Division, Liga Portuguesa v.
Royal Welch Fusiliers 2.30 p.m.

Golf.—Completion of First Round
Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Junior
Championship.

Hockey.—Men's Interport Trial
(Navy Ground, King's Park), 3
p.m.

Moon.—XII Moon, 25th Day.

Sunrise.—7.08 a.m. Sunset.—6.00
p.m.

Tides.—High at 0.29 and 14.35;
Low at 7.46 and 20.45.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—
St. Anthony, Abbot.

Cinemas

King's:—"She Married Her Boss."

Queen's:—"Jane Eyre."

Oriental:—"Annapolis Farewell."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"She Married Her
Boss."

Majestic:—"Call Of The Wild."

Star:—"The Scoundrel."

Dances.—Talkoo Ball, 9 p.m.

Entertainments.—"A Country
Girl," at Queen's Theatre, 9.20
p.m.; Show Boudt the Magician,
European Y.M.C.A., 9 p.m.

Lectures.—"Home Nursing," in
Chinese, by Dr. Lai Po-chuen, at
Ambulance Hdqrs., 5.15 p.m.;
Capt. R. D. Walker lectures to Uni-
versity Engineering Society, 8.30
p.m.

Meetings.—Christian Fellowship,
Helena May, 10.30 a.m.; Kowloon
Chess Club, at Central British
School, 5.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's
Girls' Guild, 6 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—H.E. the Gov-
ernor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, dis-
tributes Scholarships and Prizes at
Queen's College, 11 a.m.

Social.—The English Forum Din-
ner-Dance, at Hong Kong Hotel
Roof Garden, 8.30 p.m.

Sports

Badminton.—Mixed Doubles,
Chinese R.C. v. Talkoo R.C.; Kow-
loon Tong v. St. Andrew's; Sailors
and Soldiers' Home v. Club de
Recreio "B"; Club de Recreio "A"
v. St. John's.

Billiards.—Senior Championship,
C.Q.M.S. Cheetham v. F. A. Gill
(Kowloon C.C.), 8.30 p.m.; Junior
Championship, E. C. Fincher v.
Lam Yu-man (Club Lantana), 8
p.m.

Hockey.—Royal Ulster Rifles v.
H.K.S.R.A. (Shamshupo Camp),
4.30 p.m.

Moon.—Last Quarter, 3.41 a.m.;

XII Moon, 23rd Day.

Sunrise.—7.08 a.m. Sunset.—6.01
p.m.

Tides.—High at 1.05 and 15.10;
Low at 8.08 and 23.04.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—
St. Peter's Chair at Rome. St.
Prisca, V.M.

Cinemas

King's:—"She Married Her Boss."

Queen's:—"Dr. Socrates."

Oriental:—"Annapolis Farewell."

World:—"Chinese Picture."

Alhambra:—"She Married Her
Boss."

Majestic:—"Call Of The Wild."

Star:—"The Scoundrel."

Entertainments.—"A Country
Girl," at Queen's Theatre, 9.20
p.m.; Matinee at 2.30 p.m.

Social.—Civil Service Cricket
Club Whist Drive, 9.20 p.m.; Tom-
bola on board H.M.S. Tamar, 7.15
p.m.

Sports

Cricket.—First Division, Indian
R.C. v. Craigengower C.C. (L);
Royal Navy v. University (L);
Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
(L); Army v. Hong Kong C.C. (L);
Second Division, Craigengower C.C.
v. Indian R.C. (L); University v.
Royal Navy (L); Police v. R.A.M.C.
(L); Kowloon C.C. v. Hong Kong
C.C. (F).

Football.—Interport Team v.
East (Causeway Bay), 3.30 p.m.;

Second Division, Royal Navy v.
Royal Engineers; R.A.S.C. and
R.A.O.C. v. East Lancashire; Chin-
ese Athletic v. South China; Uni-
versity v. Kowloon; Eastern v.
Club de Recreio; Radio v. Club;

Third Division, Royal Engineers v.
Lincolns; European Police v.
R.A.M.C.; Chinese Police v. Rail-
way; East Lancashire v. Royal Air
Force.

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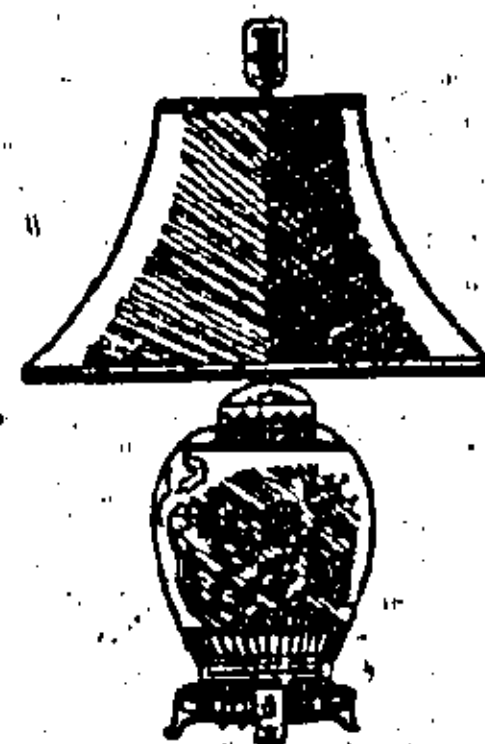
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LONDON FASHIONS

Day And Evening Blouses

The newest evening blouses are of lame or satin, of tunic or waist length, to be worn with slim ankle-length velvet skirts. The necklines may have draped cowls which can be made high or low by jewelled clip fastenings, or there are high-gauged necklines or yoke scarves which tie in front or back in a soft loose bow. The full sleeves are gathered on the shoulders and at the wrists. Most of these blouses are finished with soft crossway belts; others are worn over the top of the skirt with circular or straight belted basques.



Double-breasted jackets, belted and worn over the skirt, are severely tailored and finished with crystal or rhinestone buttons; heavy satin cloques and cloque lames suit this style. Tailored satin jackets, trimmed with bands of padded stitching on revers and cuffs, are worn over plain sheath-like evening dresses. Tailored tunics which fasten straight up the front go with skirts of velvet or dull heavy crepe; they have narrow lapels and collars, fitted waistlines and set-in sleeves, and many have jewelled buttons or corded and tasselled frog fastenings. Plain and plaid taffetas and pastel moires make blouses with large puff sleeves and frilled necklines; the intricacy of cut is the only trimming. Chiffon blouses, which generally tuck in to the waistline, are best in pastel shades, finely pleated or with smocking or gauging on the yokes and at the top of the bishop sleeves.

WITH TAILORED SUITS

For wearing with tailored suits in town there are blouses of heavy satin or crepe de Chine, pink-beige, ivory, or ice-blue; they show fine details of handwork in fagoting, smocking, or gauging, or of tiny tucks and pleats. There are also shift blouses of plain taffetas—royal blue, fuchsia, and scarlet. Fine lace blouses of natural and pale pastel colours are finished with frilled or pleated jabots.

For the country there are tailored blouses with breast pockets and fitted waistbands, trimmed with stitching; they are of heavy jersey and flannel in plain colours, bold "lumber-jack" plaids, and tiny clear checks.

Metal threads woven into chiffon in checks, squares, and dots make evening handkerchiefs. Fine linen handkerchiefs, all-over flower design, and Paisley patterned handkerchiefs, and plain handkerchiefs of linen lawn are others. There are scarlet belts of suede or kid about 3 in. wide to be worn on dark blue, brown, and dark green dresses, where they are often the only colour relief.

"I can't understand how some things get their names," declared the critical boarder. "Just what do you mean? I'll bite," said the star boarder. "Well," the comedian went on, "take this strawberry shortcake for instance. If they had called it shortberry strawberry I could have seen the point."

FASHION NOTES

Print Arouses Interest

It's smart as well as amusing these days to have an avocation as well as a vocation, writes a correspondent. To-day we've found you an absolutely new hobby. It comes close to philately, or just plain stamp collecting to most of us.

This season, one of the purse-silk, pure-dye fabric makers has given us a new game—a colourful new print literally covered with stamps from all countries and times. So you and all your friends can test your philatelic minds figuring out just where these stamps came from. And some of them probably came from Wonderland, but we'll let you find out for yourself.

NEW SHIRTMAKER

You'll notice the new version of the shirtmaker style which is going to sweep the fashion field the first of the year. This type has very full sleeves banded at the wrist, shirring at the shoulders, a gathered back and a wide leather gaucho belt. The collar has long pointed tabs like the popular gaucho shirt.



Heather Mixture In Hollywood

Gladys Swarthout, film star and star of the New York Metropolitan Opera, takes her fondness for tweed into the film itself.

"In 'GIVE US THIS NIGHT' she wears a jacket of brown and white heather mixture with a handkerchief adding a colour contrast of red and green, at the neckline.

A dark brown skirt goes with the outfit, her hat is a close fitting beret of brown felt and her gloves are of natural chamolite.

The Juliet Cap

The female half of Romeo and Juliet has inspired Hollywood to use a new headwear for the evening.

Dancing at a popular Hollywood club Sylvia Sydney starred with Herbert Marshall in "ACCENT ON YOUTH," concealed part of her black hair under a glistening Shakespearean cap covered with rhinestones and mosaics of silver thread.

She wore this with a draped frock of shimmering white satin, and it will soon become a Hollywood craze!

Paris Fashions

COLOUR AT EVENING PARTIES

Parties this winter have been the brighter for gaily coloured dresses and sparkle in the trimmings. Dresses of satin, velvet, lame, taffetas, chiffon, and lace reflect light. Hair ornaments are in fashion, whether of feathers, ribbons, jewels, or jewel-sewn nets of gold, silver, or coloured threads, or velvet and chenille lattice work. Flowers trail down a skirt or loop up a train. Long earrings go well with present-day evening dress, as do jewelled combs, pins, tiaras, and ear clips.

Rich furs appeared at many Christmas parties; some were worn continuously on the shoulders; others formed a background, as ermine lined with satin, lame, velvet, or chiffon, and silver fox and sable and mink were cast over the backs of chairs.

Dance frocks are cut short to the instep unless, as in a dress of flowered satin, ivory-white with a Chinese design of flowers, the long train can be looped up with a pair of silver tongs hanging from a silver cord at the waist.

This is a revival of the dress suspender of the late eighties. Some period frocks are worn, usually of taffetas, net, or chiffon. A Maitre d'hotel dress is of orange and pale yellow flowered taffetas softly veiled with a uniform coloured chiffon to match the ground work of the taffetas.

Dresses of periwinkle blue, dull pink, pale green, pearl-grey, violet, silver and gold shot with colour agree well with softly lighted modern rooms.

Sandals are not as frequent as shoes cut with moderately high heels and made of materials to go with a dress, but they have low heels and are elaborately worked about the instep. Gloves have not been general at Christmas, but there are small muffs of fine feathers, of lame or material suitable to the dress; a flower muff goes well with net or taffetas.

Spring fashions will be shown at the end of January. They will include dresses and costumes indirectly influenced by China and Russia. While silks and woollens may be quaintly patterned, colours will be quiet by day with bright flashes. In the summer there should be a riot of colour such as there is now by night.



PRINCESS LOUISE

Perhaps no member of our Royal Family has managed to maintain not only the look of youth but its vitality and keen interest in life more successfully than Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll, who is still in Scotland and not due back at Kensington Palace from Rosebank House, Dumfriesshire, a few days before the New Year.

Those who have had the pleasure lately of meeting and talking with this really remarkable daughter of Queen Victoria declare that she still seems about 60, instead of being in her 88th year.

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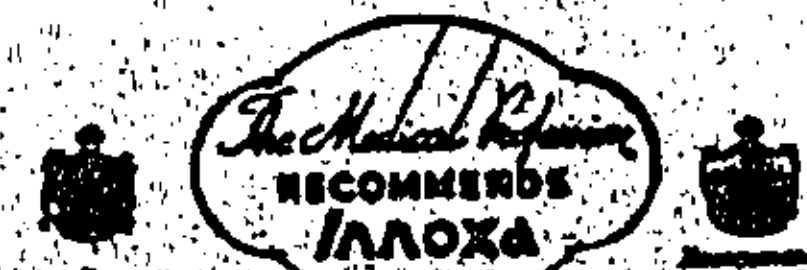
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FASHION LOOKS EAST

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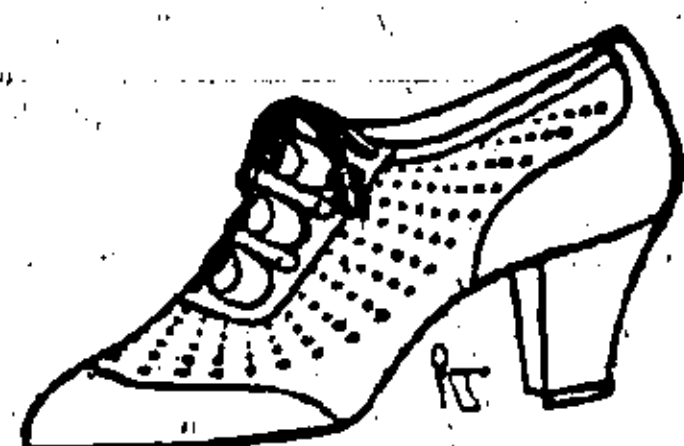


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Fashion PRE-VIEW

On The Great Midwinter
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SPORTS, DINNER, EVENING
FROCKS ARE LEADERS

Jacket ensembles form part of the spectator sports picture and they may be fitted or boxy. Capes appear also, though in diminishing numbers. Viola Dimmitt of Los Angeles makes a jacket whose back is a cape and whose front is cut away, showing the belt.

The peasant influence is observable in some silhouettes. Carepotter has done some nice dresses in the shirred and smocked style; and Tyrolean jackets and peaked hats give a provincial perkiness to costumes that remain otherwise on the safe side of rusticity.

The silhouette of the dinner frock is tailored and often mannish. Sometimes the models derive directly from a man's evening suit; and standing collars, bow ties and studs confirm the idea, although the bodice may be softly draped. Skirts tend to grow shorter.

Evening frocks have a different rhythm. Cut with front skirtfulness and draped bodies, they wear trailing yards scarf-like drapery and wide jeweled belts. The covered shoulder is favoured though by no means compulsory and there is great variety in the décolletages.

As has been the case for a number of seasons, any material that imparts a design to any type of dress, enters the rank to which its qualities entitle it. Wools are used for sports frocks and for evening dresses, which is true of any material which tempts a designer in this way. In the case of prints, patterns tend to be smaller and neater in the daytime and bigger and more spotty in the evening. Some effective ones are outlined with pigment-white, which gives the pattern an opaque look. Pastel tints are subtly blended against dark grounds, and these patterns look like mother of pearl on jet or some somber enamel. Lace and net are materials that pack well and are always graceful. Voile is preferable to chiffon when long periods in trunks are involved. Taffetas in chiffon and voile weights will be seen on dancing floors.

COLOURS

Pastels belong to both southern suns and southern moons. This year they are a little more animated than heretofore. There are many gold, saffron and mustard tones; and rusty coppers ("chardonnay") and rusty-reds ("capucine"). Blue likes to deepen to cornflower or to pottery blues; pink, to ruby and raspberry.

Among the favourite colour alliances are dawn-blue with fuchsia; turquoise with brown; navy with citron; rose with turquoise; potteryred with rose; and all the pastels with putty-beige.

TRIMMINGS

Self-trimmings in the form of pleats, tucks, shirring, scallops, wadding, piping, pipings, moose-twists and intricate manipulations of the material are the most important adornments. To these are added wide revers, peaked collars, yokes, and on evening dresses, flowing scarfs and panels. Pockets are cut in amusing shapes. The standing collar, bow tie and double belt on this same frock indicate current trends in building up interest. Buttons are important and run in broken rows straight down fronts of frocks. The motif has been improved this year by a model that has a skirt in the front. This idea has been carried over to play suits made with coat fronts and short legs at the back. Wool is being used more than ever for sport suits and beach wear costumes. Rajah trousers, Hindu turbans, peasant suspender culs, Tyrolean shorts and many bizarre adaptations conspire to make the beach amusing. Separate skirts, beach dresses, and long capes will compete with slacks. Beach dresses are often of the culotte type. Shirts are replacing halters and the rage for suntan is abating.

SHEER WOOLENS

The newest note in fabrics is struck by the sheer woollens, which appear in many weaves and tricky knit construction. Nun's veiling and challis are back among us. Yes, woollens are taking their place in the semi-tropical sun beside the crepes, silk sheers, silk shirtings, parachute silks, foulards, twills, shantung, linen and crash-like silks that are active, and in the long parade of synthetic materials which also are woven into the dull, grainy, nubby, crepe textures that monopolize the picture.

Rough lightweight linens some of them crush-resistant and sanforized-shrunk cottons are excellent materials and have inspired good dress designs.

Stripes in all possible arrangements and widths are much seen and dots are still scattered in many sizes and groupings over a variety of surfaces. Nautical prints, have returned, and are playing with ropes, wheel's stars, fish, boats and sailors. Floral and geometric patterning add variety to a fashion bazaar where one may buy according to one's taste. Some cartoonists of reputations have applied their talents to truffles for this season, among them Henry Mayor, with fascinating results.



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RIVELLE

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"The House of Aristocratic Footwear" are still showing some very smart examples of evening slippers, and day shoes.



Adaptable Evening
Frock

Outstandingly adaptable to the present evening mode is the gown that Ida Lupino wears in a scene from "ANYTHING GOES". Ivory chiffon combined with beige fox perfectly suits Ida's youthful charm, and the adjustable band of fur round the décolleté neck also serves adequately as part of the little wrap which goes over the dress.

Travis Banton, famous Paramount designer, recommends this fur treatment as the ideal solution for theatre wear. Why? Because the fur eliminates that "undraped" effect which the décolletage otherwise inspires.

Is The Beret Craze
Over?

Anyone who feels that the beret craze is past should see Marlene Dietrich wearing a hat specially designed for her by a well-known New York milliner in her new Paramount picture, "DESIRE," in which Gary Cooper plays opposite her.

Of subtle black antelope, this model is definitely an exaggeration of the beret, and is designed to conceal one eye when Marlene looks straight ahead.

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Metallic formality is the keynote of an evening gown with several new features. It is carried out in stiffened brocade lame, is sleeveless and has a long flared skirt.

Sumptuous white fox is used in a striking new treatment for her evening wrap, which has three huge, long tails.

**MAE GOES
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Mae West, star of Paramount's "Goin' To Town," has a complete modern wardrobe for this film. Already many of the leading fashion designers have copied many of her dresses and are concentrating on some of the new ideas contained in them for the winter's trends.

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12.30 to 2.15 p.m.—European programme.
1 p.m.—Local time and weather report.
1.15 p.m.—Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin, Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11 p.m.—European programme.
7 to 1.30 p.m.—
Light Orchestral Selections.
Serenade Mauresque, Op. 10, No. 2 (Elgar).
Benedictus (MacKenzie).
Nella Waltz (Delibes).
Moss El Vita—Judea (Gounod).
Lane Wilson Melodist.
The Golden Valse (arr. Winter).
7.30 to 7.50 p.m.—
Leslie Hutchinson at the Piano.
1. I feel a song coming on.
2. Whenever I think of you.
3. East of the Sun.
4. My heart is Haunted.
5. Love is everywhere.
6. Kiss me goodnight.
7.50 to 8 p.m.—"A Venetian Barcarolle" (arr. Willoughby).
8 p.m.—Local time and weather report, closing local stock quotations.
8.05 to 8.15 p.m.—"Piano" Show Memories played by Turner Layton.
8.15 to 9.20 p.m.—
A Relay from Daventry.
8.15 p.m.—"Night among the Pines" from "Travels with a Donkey," by R. L. Stevenson, read by Patric Curwen.
8.30 p.m.—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.20 to 9.45 p.m.—
From the Studio.
A Programme of Works by Robert Schumann.
1. Aria and Scherzo from Sonata, Op. 11.
2. Three Fantasies.
10 p.m.—Big Ben.
10.45 to 10.45 p.m.—
Excerpts from Grand Opera.
Orchestral—"Damnation of Faust" (Berlioz, Op. 24).
"Samson" and Delilah—Bachchanale (Saint-Saens).
Aria—"Barber of Seville"—Largo al Factotum (Rossini)—Riccardo Stracciari (Bartone).
Trio—"Carmen"—Toreador's Song (Bizet)—Riccardo Stracciari.
A. Appoloni, E. Ticozzi and Chorus.
Aria—"Madam Butterfly"—One Fine Day (Puccini)—Margaret Sheridan (Soprano).
Orchestral—"Dance of the Hours"—"La Gioconda" (Ponchielli).
Aria—"Mamont"—The Dream (Massenet)—Beniamino Gigli (Tenor).
Orchestral—"Mignon"—Overture (Thomas).
10.30 to 11 p.m.—Dance music.
11 p.m.—Close down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

9 p.m.—Call DJA, DJN Announcement (Germ., Engl.).
German Folk Song Programme Forecast (Germ., Engl.).
9.15 p.m.—"Matthias Kappel." Radio Play by Walter Gottfried Klucke.
9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
10 p.m.—"As we merrily march along." Marches sung and played by the Music Section of the Berlin-derburg SA-Group. Conducted by Johannes Fuhsel. The Oswald von Heyden Orchestra.
11 p.m.—Topical Talk.
11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA and DJN.
11.30 p.m.—Today in Germany. Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m.—Sonata in A minor for Piano by Franz Schubert. Friedrich Rolf Albes.
12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
12.30 a.m.—Close. DJA, DJN (Germ., Engl.).

RADIO MANILA

6 p.m.—Are You Listening? conducted by Bernie Nolaseo.
6.30 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.
6.40 p.m.—English Informational Period.
6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations, through the courtesy of Swin, Gilbertson and Fritz.
7 p.m.—Popular Songs by Richard Corlie.
7.15 p.m.—Music in the Air with Mal Partridge.

BOXING NOTES

Eliminating Tournneys Not Worth While

London, Dec. 24.
It is customary at this period to review the past year's working, to record the changes of titles, and to make comparisons generally, writes a correspondent. But there does not appear to be much to do in this direction.

With the exception of the change in the world fly-weight title from Jackie Brown to Benny Lynch, matters are pretty near as they were in all departments.

We are supposed to get the much required spot of daylight though the light-weight situation when Berg defends his title against Jimmy Walsh on the postponed date of February 24. Berg is not yet back in this country, so it is no use banking on anything in that direction.

The inauguration of the light-weight eliminating tourney by the British Boxing Board of Control about nine months ago appeared a great idea, and it was working out well until certain people desired to alter the rules while the game was in progress. The result was that it all went up in the air and all the good work was wasted. If the Board of Control has not discovered by now the utter impracticability of these long drawn-out-eliminating tourneys, it is time 't did, as nearly everyone has been the same, and by the time they have reached finally a complete change has taken place in the form of the boys.

In some instances, men who were not eligible to enter the original competition through lack of experience, have far outstripped those who were qualifying for a tilt at the title, making the whole affair look extremely foolish.

When the Board of Control found itself high and dry through the break-up of their tourney, they quickly got out of it by selecting one man (Jimmy Walsh) to meet Kid Berg, and I would recommend that a similar plan be adopted in future and a shorter time limit for sitting on titles.

WAITING FOR THE WELTERS
The welter-weight situation is nearly as bad. We have been fooling with this tourney for roundly nine months and will have to wait until January before we can get the second of the semi-finals pair (Roderick and Ivor Pickens) into the ring. Then the winner will pair off with Chuck Parker for the right to meet Pat Butler for the title, which, if ever it comes off, will occur about April by ordinary reckoning.

I think Butler's case is sufficient to demonstrate the sheer futility of these long drawn-out competitions as, however good or bad he was when he won his title, he is worse to-day.

Personally I think that it would be a mistake to put Butler in the ring against any man with championship ability after his recent display at Derby. I would suggest that Butler be asked to undergo a medical test as to his health and general fitness.

MEAYOY V. RISCO

There is not a lot to say about the bigger weights. Jack Meayoy has revived interest in the weight at which he is king by earning honours in America, to which he is expected to add. The Rochdale battle will appear again this week at the famous Madison Square Garden with Babe Risko as his opponent.

According to America, Risko is the world's middle-weight champion. The men are not fighting at the championship weight, so there is no need to go into pros and cons of Risko's claim. That Risko is the best at the poundage in America, is undisputed, so we can gauge the merit of the performance should our boy get the judges' eyes.

JACKIE BROWN RESUMES
I see Jackie Brown has started getting his shoulder to the wheel and will be seen at the Brunswick Stadium, Leeds, on Sunday in a twelve-rounds contest at 8st 6lb.

7.30 p.m.—Hiscock's presents

7.45 p.m.—Elizalde y Cia Programme.
8 p.m.—Hispania.
8.30 p.m.—Welcome Tourist Programme for passengers aboard the Dollar s.s. President Coolidge.
8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations and Local Market Reports.
9 p.m.—Hispania—Zaruelas.
10.30 p.m.—Popular Tunes and Requests.
11 p.m.—Sign Off.

with Ellis Ashurst, of Conisborough.

The pitcher has gone to the well once too often, for I see Uzcudun Paolino, the Basque woodchopper, whose proud boast it was that he had never been put down, had to suffer that indignity with a little more added last week-end, when he faced Joe Louis, the Brown Bomber, at Madison Square before a gate of 19,000 people. Four rounds sufficed for Louis to reduce the Spaniard to a state that necessitated the intervention of the referee.

It will come as good news to many to learn that The Ring Blackfriars Road, London, will resume their Sunday displays, starting from Sunday next. The top liner will not require any boosting, as Oble Walker, the miniature mountain, is certain to attract a capacity house. It will be interesting to see what Maurice Strickland will do with such a man as Walker.

The southern critics did not speak highly of the heavy-weight fight at the Albert Hall, London, between Ben Foord, of South Africa, and Roy Lazer, the Jewish American heavy-weight, which was won by Lazer on points. By his victory, Lazer qualifies for a match with Camera in Paris on June 2.

JIMMY WALSH BEATEN
Frank Barton, the lengthy Salford light-weight, further complicated the light-weight situation at the Jewish Charity in Manchester by outpointing Jimmy Walsh of Chester, the Board of Control's selected candidate to meet Kid Berg.

Barton has been trying for a long time to get his nose in with the leaders of the light-weight division, but it was not until this week that he got his chance.

Of course, I did not see the fight, being still in bed, but I have had a few versions of it from which one can gather that the decision might have gone any way at the close.

What I could not understand from several reports was the free use Walsh made of his right hand during the fight, which is not usual in the division, and which, in the conclusion that the Chester lad's success with his right-hand counters in the first and second rounds, were the chief cause of his failure, and Barton collected the points with his long left. Walsh was wasting his time trying to get him on the floor.

I see that Phil Milligan, the Northern fly-weight champion, disposed of one of his steady challengers in Syd Parker, of Bolton, by knocking him out in two rounds. There appears to be no limit to the improvement of Manchester's new star.

Nipper Cusick added the scalp of Billy Miller, of Leeds, to his list on Monday night also.
Cusick is down to fight Tommy Tune, of Barnsley, at the Regent Sporting Club, Salford, on Sunday afternoon at 8st 8lb. weight in at 11 a.m. under forfeit.

NOT TARLETON'S CLASS

It does not require a deal of space to record all that is worth regarding concerning Nel Tarleton's meeting with the French feather-weight, Johnny Edwards, at Liverpool.

Edwards cuts some ice across the Channel doubtless by reason of his crude and fear-away methods. It is not difficult to visualize his giving a lot of trouble to any boxer who was foolish enough to fight with him.

When it comes to meeting a man of Tarleton's calibre, however, it is a horse of a different colour. Edwards was repeatedly made to look extremely foolish.

Although there was no comparison between the pair on points, by his strenuous efforts to do some damage, Edwards did maintain a certain amount of interest. Despite the local's brilliancy, Edwards was there at the finish.

Tarleton does not seem to pay the slightest heed to the pointed and repeated efforts to get he and Johnny King into the ring for a third meeting. Time after time it has been mooted in the Press, but Tarleton has said now throughout and has taken his fish to try elsewhere.

That the Liverpoolian is not running around looking for easy money is very certain, as there is nothing easy about his forthcoming match with Joe Connolly, of Bathgate, at Glasgow on January 15.

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London, Dec. 24.

A girl smiled happily as she walked into the little parish church at Clay Cross, Derbyshire, where she was to become the wife of the man she loved.

She was unaware that at that moment her former schoolmistress, aunt of the bridegroom, who had gone to the church to tender her congratulations, was being borne from the building—dead.

It was not until after the ceremony that the bridal couple, Miss Hannah Spencer, daughter of Councilors Mr. and Mrs. F. Spencer, and Mr. Alex. Grassick, also of Clay Cross, learned of the tragedy.

The victim was Mrs. Lillie Marriott, former headmistress at Clay Cross Girls School. She was 77.
Mrs. Marriott was sitting in a pew awaiting the arrival of the bride when she suddenly collapsed. People in the church rushed to her side and she was carried into the nearby surgery of Dr. N. R. Pooler. It was then found she was dead.

As the woman was being carried through the churchyard the bride passed, but did not notice the tragic little procession.

Mrs. Marriott was a widow, her husband, a former headmaster of the Clay Cross Senior Boys' School, dying some years ago.

THE QUEEN MARY'S SAILING

London, Dec. 24

The original idea of the Cunard Line authorities was for the first voyage of the Queen Mary to start on Tuesday, May 28, the birthday of the Queen. What caused the change to the 27th, I understand, was when it was appreciated that a Sunday arrival at New York would mean to the publicity of the ship in the United States. The Wednesday sailing would give a Monday arrival.

Judges see our next champion. He is a good candidate on whom to smash a good pair of hands, is Joe.

Johnny King, British bantam champion, did not show championship from Manchester on Monday opposed to Joe Parlela, contender for the French feather title. King received a points verdict at the end of ten rounds. Jimmy Wilde, the Welsh heavy-weight champion, defeated Maurice Strickland, the New Zealand champion, on a 15-round points verdict.

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in "WINGS IN THE DARK"

"HERE'S TO ROMANCE"
Producer Jesse L. Lasky, whose flair for elaborate productions has long been a Hollywood by-word, outstrips even the most colourful of his previous efforts with the array of talent he has assembled for the cast of "Here's To Romance" which comes on Sunday to the King's and Alhambra Theatres.

With Nino Martini, handsome singing star of the operatic stage and the radio, as the central figure of the cast, Lasky has secured Madame Schumann-Heink, world-renowned concert star, Maria Gambarelli, premiere danseuse, and Vincente Escudero, famous gypsy dancer, for the supporting cast.

These are featured with other members of the cast, Genevieve Tobin, Anita Louise, Reginald Denny and Adrian Rooley—already established as motion picture stars.

"DR. SOCRATES"
"Dr. Socrates," the Warner Bros production in which Paul Muni is starred, next attraction at the Queen's Theatre, opening this Sunday, is heralded as one of the most powerful dramas in which he has appeared on the screen. Muni, in the role of the once famous physician whose nerves have been shattered by the death of his fiancée, tries to bury himself in a small town. In this he is successful until one night a notorious bank bandit forces him at the point of his revolver to dress a wound he had received in a battle with police. The bandit, and his gang terrorize the surrounding territory, rob the bank and shoot up the town. Among the injured is a girl who had leaped from the bandit's car. Muni, who has been dubbed Dr. Socrates by a blustering country doctor, Robert Barrat, dresses the girl's wounds and takes her to his home.

"THE SCOUNDREL"
Noel Coward makes his acting debut in motion pictures in Paramount's "The Scoundrel," now at the Star Theatre. But, if the popular Englishman's career in films is as all like that he has pursued in the theatre, it will not be long before he will also write and direct them.

Coward, the genius of the contemporary theatre, is a combination of dramatist, actor, composer, librettist and director. Yes, his introduction to the stage came in small acting roles, and he learned to write songs by singing them as a choir boy in his youth.

"JANE EYRE"
An authentic version of a grand old English classic by Charlotte Brontë, "Jane Eyre," now screening at the Queen's Theatre, featuring Virginia Bruce and Colin Clive, in the leading roles. Miss Bruce, in the title role, gives the finest performance of her successful career. She is a typically Jane Eyre, and portrays her part with all the sweetness of her literary counterpart. Colin Clive also gives a remarkable faithful picture of Dr. Rochester, the English gentleman who brings the first breath of romance into the life of the orphaned Jane.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

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"A Country Girl"
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KING'S:
"Here's To Romance"
QUEEN'S:
"Dr. Socrates"
"Page Miss Glory"
STAR:
"Wings In The Dark"
MAJESTIC:
"Woman Wanted"
ALHAMBRA:
"Here's To Romance"

"SHE MARRIED HER BOSS"

At King's And Alhambra

Claudette Colbert who will be remembered by all cinema fans for her outstandingly successful performance in "It Happened One Night" when she was starred opposite the "he man" of the silver screen, Clark Gable, when both as a result of popular vote were the recipients of the Motion Picture Academy Award, gives a performance in her latest starring vehicle, "She Married Her Boss" which is quite in keeping with the high standard she has set herself to maintain. "She Married Her Boss" is being shown at the King's and Alhambra Theatres simultaneously, and should draw crowded houses, judging by the satisfactory comments I heard as I left the Theatre last night.

Many of Miss Colbert's followers will, I know, think her latest contribution, "even better than "It Happened One Night" but the mere fact that it can be compared with the Gable-Colbert hit, should be sufficient criterion as to its entertainment value. I personally enjoyed the picture immensely, and can truthfully say that it is every bit as good as the Academy winner.

One striking fact that should be mentioned is the discovery of another juvenile star, who does a splendid piece of acting throughout the film. Her name is Edith Fellows, and she is provocative, as well as extremely delightful.

Melvyn Douglas is given the star masculine role opposite Colbert, which he performs satisfactorily, while Michael Bartlett, the young man who scored an outstanding success in Grace Moore's "Love Me Forever" provides serious competition in a love triangle, round which is woven the chief theme of the story.

The picture is entertaining, and should not be missed. "Redianism"

According to all reports, these are happy days at the King's and Alhambra Theatres, where Claudette Colbert is holding forth in her newest picture, "She Married Her Boss." Jaded spirits are being revived and worldly woes forgotten as daily audiences permit the charming star to amuse them in her second Columbia picture.

Since winning the Academy award with her performance in the famed "It Happened One Night," produced by the same company which gives you her current attraction, Miss Colbert has concentrated more on drama than comedy; but now she throws off the traces once again and goes to town in delightful fashion.

In "She Married Her Boss," Claudette is seen as an ultra-competent "private secretary" who discreetly falls in love with her boss; the title gives some hint of what happens, but not enough, for the marriage is only the start of her grief.

OBJETS D'ART MART

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We regret to announce that the well-known Hong Kong house of Komors is closing. This firm was established in 1883, and is one of the oldest local marts for objets d'art.

Mr. Komor stated that although the demand for fine and rare antiques is still strong, local collectors are not in a position to support such a large and choice collection owing to the depression in trade generally.

The demand in England and America, owing to the great and successful London Exhibition, is so keen that Komors have had several offers to exhibit their choicest rarities in those countries. As an exhibition requires the presence of an expert, the Komors have decided to close their Hong Kong retail store and travel with their exhibits.

Before leaving, and by special request, Messrs. Komor have decided to hold a sale for the benefit of local collectors, to enable them to add to their collections, before these lovely antiques are taken away from the Colony.

COURT AND PERSONAL

London, Dec. 24.
GREEK MINISTER SEES THE KING

The Greek Minister in London, Mr. Simopoulos, saw the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday to present fresh letters of credence from the new Government of Greece, consequent upon the change to the Greek Constitution with the return of King George the Second to the Greek throne. Sir Robert Vansittart, the Permanent Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was in attendance.

PRINCE AND A GERMAN TRIBUTE TO BRITISH AIRMEN

The adjutant of General Göring, Lieutenant Commander Bodenschatz, one of the survivors of the famous Richthofen air squadron, has received a message of thanks from the Prince of Wales for his book "Chase in Flanders Skies" in which the writer pays tribute to the bravery of British airmen.

The president of the Association of Former Members of the Royal Flying Corps has communicated to Lieutenant Commander Bodenschatz the personal thanks and recognition of the Prince of Wales for his "unique work," the German News Agency announced last night (says Reuters Berlin correspondent).

DUCHESS OF YORK: A SLIGHT CHILL

The Duchess of York is suffering from a slight chill. She is confined to her room. Her illness was announced yesterday at an entertainment given in aid of the funds of the Not Forgotten Association at Hyde Park Hotel, London, yesterday, at which the Duchess was to have been present. Her place was taken by Princess Alice Lady Athlone.

The Duchess is at Royal Lodge, Windsor Great Park.

SIR SAMUEL HOARE

It was stated last night at Sir Samuel Hoare's home that on the advice of his doctor he will be unable to leave home for a day or two. Sir Samuel reached London by air last evening from Switzerland. The Foreign Minister, who had a skating accident in Switzerland, had a plaster across the bridge of his nose. In reply to a question concerning his health he said, "I do not feel too well." Shortly after his arrival, Sir Samuel Hoare was visited by his doctor.

LORD ALLEN OF HURTWOOD

Lord Allen of Hurtwood is confined to bed at his home, Hurtwood House, Albury, near Guildford, with a slight chill. He is making good progress.

LORD MACMILLAN

Lord Macmillan, a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary is suffering from a slight attack of influenza. It was stated at his London home

MODERN POETRY LECTURE

Rev. J. R. Higgs Gives
Interesting Talk

The Rev. J. R. Higgs gave an interesting address on "Modern Poetry" at the weekly meeting of the Women's Fellowship yesterday at the St. Andrew's Church hall. The scheduled address by Mrs. Fordham was unavoidably postponed owing to her being indisposed. She will deliver the same address at the next weekly meeting.

Rev. Higgs' talk was divided into many sections, namely England, The Call of the Country, The Call of the Sea, Animals and The Great War. In support of these he quoted many excerpts from well-known poets such as Macaulay, Noyes, W. B. Yeats, John Drinkwater and many others. The quotations were apt illustrations for the lecture and the address was well received.

In conclusion the speaker touched a general note in a discourse on Life and Death, and finally wound up the meeting with a word picture of Futuristic Poetry.

The fine pieces will be packed after the Chinese New Year and will not be on view again here. The sale will end on January 23. The shop will be open each evening until 7 p.m.

yesterday that he is not seriously ill, but he will not be able to attend the House of Lords this week. The Lords were unable to sit judicially yesterday owing to his indisposition.

THE PRINCE OF WALES

The Prince of Wales yesterday attended the annual distribution meeting of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London, which was held in private at the House of Lords.

THE DUCHESS OF YORK

The Duchess of York, who is confined to her room at Royal Lodge, Windsor Great Park, with a chill, was stated yesterday to be going on well.

THE DUCHESS OF KENT

The Duchess of Kent paid an informal visit to the St. John Clinic and Institute of Physical Medicine in Ranelagh Road, Pimlico, yesterday. The visit was arranged at her own request, as the Duchess had previously expressed a wish to see something of the work which is being done.

The clinic is under the control of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem, of which the Duchess is a member. Its main object is to bring special treatment within the reach of poor people and people of moderate means.

The Duchess was received by Princess Louise Duchess of Argyll, who is resident of the clinic; Lord Scarbrough, chairman; and the Mayor of Westminster.

EMPIRE PRESS UNION

The following newspaper proprietors (with personal representatives as stated) were elected to membership of the Empire Press Union at a meeting of the council yesterday, under the chairmanship of the president, Major J. J. Astor, M.P.:

Provincial Newspapers, Ltd. (Sir Herbert Brent Grotian, K.C.); Evans Brothers, Ltd. (Sir Robert Evans); "Daily Mirror" Newspapers, Ltd. (Mr. Cecil Harmsworth King); "The Round Table Review" (Mr. H. V. Hodson); "The Times Weekly Edition" (Mr. E. J. Herbert Shaw); "The Hindu" (Mr. K. Srinivasan, nominated by the Indian section of the union).

The following associate members were elected:—Mr. J. P. Collins ("The Civil and Military Gazette," India); Mr. A. T. Penman (Reuters, Ltd.); and Mr. M. M. Threlfall ("Sydney Morning Herald" and other newspapers in Australia).

KING GEORGE'S JUBILEE TRUST

It was announced last night that the "Grocery and Allied Trades Fund" in aid of King George's Jubilee Trust has been closed at the total of £20,111. The committee of the fund are to send to the King a congratulatory address enclosed in a commemorative album containing a list of subscribers.

LAST WO-DAYS AT THE KING'S ALHAMBRA KOWLOON

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JACK OAKIE

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LORD ONSLOW ILL

Lord Onslow is recovering from a chill at his London home. He was stated yesterday to be making good progress, and it was hoped that he would be about again in a few days. Lord Onslow is Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords.

MR. R. S. HUDSON

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Minister of Pensions, who had a relapse on Monday at his home at Merham, near Ashford, Kent, where he has been ill for some days, was yesterday moved by ambulance to his London house. His condition is about the same.

APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL FOR ART

The President of the Board of Trade has appointed Mr. J. O. M. Clark to be a member of the Scottish Committee of the Council for Art and Industry in place of Mr. John Campbell, who has resigned owing to ill-health. He has also appointed Mr. David Milne to be an additional member of the committee.

Mr. Clark is chairman of J. and P. Coats, Ltd., Glasgow. Mr. Milne is the assistant secretary in charge of the Edinburgh branch of the Department of the Secretary of State for Scotland.

SCHOLASTIC APPOINTMENT

Miss Margaret Dunn, B.Sc. (London), a member of the staff, has been appointed head mistress of Sandeocote School, Parkstone, Dorset, as from May, in succession to Miss M. C. Harding, B.A., who has accepted the position of principal of the Royal School for the Daughters of Officers of the Army at Bath.

MISS BETTY BALFOUR

Miss Betty Balfour, the British screen actress, is suffering from bronchitis and is unable to leave her London home. It was stated yesterday that Miss Balfour was "improving." In consequence

POSTAL THEFT

Singapore, Jan. 6.
Forty-one thousand guilders (about \$46,000) sent by post from Singapore to Batavia has disappeared. A parcel containing currency notes was posted on December 31 by N.V. Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank, of 1, Cecil Street, to catch the mail which closed at the Singapore G.P.O. at 3.30 p.m. that day.

The parcel arrived in Batavia on January 2 and was delivered to the addressee the following morning. According to information received in Singapore on Friday night the parcel was found to contain a book instead of the currency notes.

Two other parcels sent at the same time also containing currency notes arrived safely at the same destination, and the contents found to be in order.

A PRINCE IN VILLAGE

HOCKEY

Few village hockey teams can rank with that of Heighington near Darlington, Co. Durham, in its distinction of having among its playing members one of royal birth. "Aye, a real live prince," as one villager put it.

This dark-haired, pleasant young man is Prince Alexander Yourievsky, a direct grandson of the late Tsar Alexander II, of Russia. He has no immediate intention of returning to Russia and lives a quiet life in the little country village of Heighington. He spends his Saturday afternoons playing as forward or goal-keeper with the village hockey team of which he is the hon. secretary.

Of her illness further production of the film "Miss Comes to Stay" at Hammermill, in which Miss Balfour is playing the leading part, has been postponed until early in the new year.

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Around the Courts

PECULIAR ASSAULT INCIDENT

At the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. W. Schofield, Kwan Kai Po, a licensed motor driver, was charged with assaulting Lai Yu Hing, a shop keeper. The alleged offence took place two months ago at Leighton Hill Road.

Mr. C. Y. Kwan appeared for the complainant, while Det. Sgt. Fitches was for the Police. The alleged assault, said Mr. Kwan, took place on November 18, while the complainant was walking along Leighton Hill Road. Defendant came up from behind and hit the complainant on the head. When the latter turned round, defendant again struck complainant. Defendant was not arrested then. The complainant waited till the next day before making a report of the incident to the authorities. Defendant was in fact not arrested until January 10.

Det. Sgt. Fitches said that he had made investigations regarding the alleged assault. "The original report on the matter stated that a highway robbery had taken place, in which three men were implicated. When complainant made his report, he had no visible marks indicating violence, and when suggested by the Police, he refused to be examined by a doctor."

The complainant when questioned by the Police, stated that he knew his assailants, and the assault, in his opinion, was the result of a business deal with the three men in question, and in consequence of which he was now indebted to them.

Det. Sgt. Fitches submitted that the assault was merely a technical offence since complainant had been taken to a side lane, where he was threatened that if he did not pay the money he owed, he would be assaulted. Complainant did not contemplate taking any action, but was advised by the Police to take out a summons.

Nothing however happened until Jan. 10, when complainant who was with his wife in Hennessy Road, met the defendant. He engaged the latter in conversation, in the meanwhile instructing his wife to get a constable. On the appearance of the constable, defendant was arrested.

Det. Sgt. Fitches said that the defendant denied that any assault had taken place, but admitted taking complainant by the arm. Under the circumstances, the police had charged defendant with common assault.

After evidence was taken, defendant was bound over in a bond of \$100 in two securities, to come up for judgment in one year.

A FREE TRIP

Charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday on (a) boarding a ferry boat belonging to the H.K.Y. Ferry Co. without paying his fare, (b) causing damage to property, Ho Hung Tim, a 21 year old unemployed was ordered to pay a fine of \$20 or to serve three weeks in gaol on the first charge and was ordered to pay \$3 damaged to the Company.

Sub-Inspector Mist, prosecuting, stated that at about 11.15 on Tuesday morning, just as the ferry-boat Man Chung was leaving the Connaught Road Wharf, defendant jumped on to it, landing on the wooden covering protecting the steering gear, and breaking it. He was seen by the coxswain and arrested.

TRESPASSER FINED

For trespassing on military grounds, Kwan Mun-ho, 22, a masan, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Det. Sgt. Cashman, prosecuting, said that at 8 o'clock on Wednesday night, Rifleman J. Ferrin, of the Regimental Police, was patrolling the grounds surrounding the Married Quarters, north of Kennedy Road, when he saw defendant again in the grounds, and arrested him. On the previous evening, a sergeant had complained that his wife's purse had been snatched in the vicinity. A fine of \$25, or two weeks' hard labour, was imposed.

ROBBER CAUGHT

Tsang Kan, alias Tsang Ting, 24, unemployed, was brought before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged that he, with others not in custody, two of whom were armed with knives, robbed Wong Po of \$31.50, four gold finger rings, a silver necklace and appendage, two lengths of silk and four suits of clothing, at 12, Diamond Hill, Kowloon City, on December 16. On the application of Inspector Chester Woods, the accused was remanded for 48 hours in custody.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Three men arrested on Monday night for fighting at Aberdeen Street, near Wellington Street, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday. They were Hung Pui, 23, coolie, Ng Keung, 23, cook and So Shun-wo, 21, conservancy foreman. The first defendant had a stab wound in his right arm, which he declared had been inflicted by the third defendant with a scissor blade. No reason for the fight was given. All defendants were bound over in sums of \$75 to keep the peace. Det. Sgt. Shepherd prosecuted.

FIGHT WITH KNIVES

Two coolies, Yip Hon, armed with a knife, and Chan Kau, armed with an iron hook, were caught fighting in Battery Street on Wednesday. Appearing before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday they were each fined \$75, or, in default, six weeks' hard labour. It was stated by Detective Sergeant Downman that an Indian sergeant stopped the fight in time and thus prevented any serious development. Chan Kau told the Court that Yip Hon had always accused him of stealing fish. Yip Hon stated that when he found that his fish was missing he remarked that the cat must have stolen it, whereupon he was attacked by Chan Kau.

EGG CAUSED LAUGHTER

A case relating to the theft of a hen's egg caused much laughter at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Choi Yu-tung, accused, of the theft from a shop in Kowloon City, pleaded before Mr. Wynne-Jones that the egg was broken and he thought it had been abandoned.

The police were unable to produce the egg as an exhibit, as it was smashed in the defendant's jacket pocket. All that was left was the yoke and some shell.

The Magistrate: What is the value of the egg?
Inspector Chester Woods: Four cents, your Worship.

The Magistrate: A good egg! (Laughter.)

A fine of \$10, or fourteen days' hard labour, was imposed.

COUNTERFEIT COINS AGAIN

Ho Sap-yat, 27, widow, of 152 Sai Yeung Choi Street, who was arrested at the Kowloon Railway station after she had alight from the Canton express train, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged with the possession of 300 counterfeit Hong Kong ten-cent pieces, of mixed metal.

Det. Sub-Inspector L. Whant, applying for one week's formal remand, stated that the coins were with the Government Analyst. They were struck and not done by mould, and were the best the Analyst had seen.

TREE CUTTER FINED

A fine of \$50, in default one month's hard labour, and an order that he should be sent away to the country, was passed by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday on Li Piu, unemployed, charged with cutting growing tristania trees on Government Plantation No. 6A below the Aberdeen Reservoir on Wednesday. It was stated that the defendant had sawn off one whole tree and was sawing another when arrested. The value of the two trees was \$20.

BAD CHARACTER

"He is an old offender," remarked Inspector F. T. J. Portallion at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when Pun Cheung pleaded guilty to stealing four copper cents from the pocket of Leung Kwan, an apprentice tailor, in the Mongkok district. The accused admitted four previous convictions and was sentenced to one year's hard labour, to be followed by two years' police supervision.

BANISHES

For returning from banishment before his period of ten years had been completed, Chan Fung, unemployed, was sent to prison for ten months by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday. Defendant stated he returned to Hong Kong to see a relative to get two suits of clothing made for the Chinese New Year.

A banisher, Chan Kang, 29, with two previous convictions against him, admitted an order imposed for ten years on October 24 of last year, at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. Macfadyen sentenced defendant to six months' hard labour.

SUMMARY COURT ACTION

Re-Hearing Of Case Disallowed

Before Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden yesterday morning at the Summary Court, Mr. C. E. R. Sanderson made an application for the re-opening of the case in which the Hon. Sir William Shenton and Mr. M. H. Turner successfully sued Choy Wai-hun of the Hong Kong Trading Co. (1931) Ltd., for \$886.68 being interest due on a mortgage.

Mr. Sanderson said that the reason for the application was that the plaintiffs had refused to allow the defendant to collect rent from the property after he had paid the interest, and this being the position he would ask the court to reopen the case in order to hear further evidence to the point.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, for the plaintiffs, opposed the application, submitting that there were no grounds for its reopening. The defendant, he said, had ample opportunity for hearing all the evidence and the fact that he had not done so was entirely his own fault, and that it was stipulated in the agreement that whatever subsequent action the mortgagors might take did not release him from his guarantee.

In dismissing the application with costs, His Lordship said that no sufficient ground had been put forward.

CHILDREN'S PLAY AT THE HELENA MAY

Here is good news for all who were disappointed when the pantomime was cancelled.

Hermione Beaulieu is producing an original Christmas play, written for, and acted by children on Thursday, the 30th of this month, and Saturday, the 1st of February. "Trouble in Toyland" is not an ordinary pantomime, but a play full of fun that children will understand, and charm that will delight grown-ups. (The author prefers to remain anonymous, but the Old Black Crow has a hunch about it!)

Mr. Bremner, and talented helpers in H.M.S. Kent, are doing the scenery, and Father and Mother Christmas themselves should be delighted with their undertakes. Mr. Buchanan-Dunlop and popular Mrs. Kenyon take your tickets now, it will be grand entertainment for everyone and everyone is going.

The cast includes: Jocelyn and Tommy Beaver, Evelyn Buyers, Vivian Gillespie, Prudence Johnson, Wendy Joseph, Phyllis Sayer, Martin Seth-Smith, and Jane Strellett; Madame de Precourt has arranged the dances, and Mrs. Lewick is playing for them. The performances are at 5.30 on Thursday and Saturday fortnight. Tickets children 50 cents and grown-ups \$1.00.—Contributed.

MOTHER SENT FOR TRIAL

London, Dec. 24.
Julia Wood Murray, aged 32, of Holland Road, Brixton, was at Westminster committed for trial charged with the murder of her 17-months-old son and also with attempted suicide.

It had been stated previously that Murray was seen in an exhausted condition at the entrance to St. George's Hospital. She had her baby in a perambulator.

When Murray had been helped into the hospital it was found that the baby was dead, with a scar knotted around its neck.

Murray was suffering from asphyxiation poisoning.

Murray's solicitor said that he would reserve his defence.

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK

London, Dec. 24.
The Duke and Duchess of York will spend Christmas at their own country home, The Royal Lodge, Windsor Great Park. They had planned to spend the festival with the King and Queen at Sandringham, but the doctors attending the Duchess, who has been suffering from influenza, decided yesterday that it would not be wise for her to travel in view of the bad weather.

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NATIONAL SOCIALIST GATHERING

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Detmold, Jan. 15.
The third anniversary of the historical Diet elections in the free state of Lippe, Detmold, on January 15, 1933, which after a short period of stagnation marked the turning point in the development of National Socialism in Germany, paved the way for National Socialism ascent to power.

Two weeks later, was commemorated here on Wednesday in the presence of Chancellor Hitler, by various ceremonies in honour of the occasion. Shortly after his arrival the Chancellor received a delegation of several towns in Lippe and Westphalia, who presented him as well as some of his closest collaborators, with the freedom of the city. In the afternoon there was a great march past of National Socialism formations before the chief of staff Herr Lutze. This was followed by a mass meeting at which Hitler delivered a speech surveying the events of the past three years.

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TRIAL OF SPANISH REVOLTERS

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Madrid, Jan. 15.
Another trial of the Catalan separatists who participated in the abortive uprising of October 1934 ended here on Wednesday with the well-known Catalan author and poet, Jose Pius Fajardes, being sentenced to imprisonment for life. Similar punishment was meted out to the former member of the Catalan Generalitat, while eight other accused were given terms varying between 12 and 18 years.

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GERMANS IN PARIS

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Paris, Jan. 15.
An organisation for promoting the cultural and social life among all Germans living in Paris who are loyal supporters of New Germany, has been found here under the name of "German Community." While the new organisation aims at establishing contact with Germans residing in other cities of France, the centre of its activities will be the clubrooms to be opened shortly, where all the functions of the German Colony in Paris will be held.

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"BATTALION OF DEATH" ABYSSINIA

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Addis Ababa, Jan. 15.
"A battalion of death" for assaulting and overpowering Italian tanks is now being formed by the Abyssinian military authorities. The plan is that units of thirty men shall make surprise attacks on the tanks at close quarters, and if they get near enough, to pour burning oil over them. The crew would then have to choose between being burned to death or emerging and falling easy prey to the Abyssinians. With the help of tanks captured from the Italians now brought here, work of training young Abyssinian warriors, thousands of whom are said to have volunteered for this heroic task, is now in full swing at the military school.

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ITALY AND MEETING OF LEAGUE COUNCIL

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Rome, Jan. 15.
The Italian Government has not yet decided whether it will send a delegate to Geneva for the forthcoming meeting of the League Council and will make the decision dependent on the final attitude taken up by France and England in regard to the eventual proposals for an all-embracing, was the statement made on Wednesday by a Government representative to the Press. The spokesman added that the Italian Government is not yet ready to define its attitude towards the Abyssinian request that the League of Nations send a commission of enquiry to the front in order to investigate the methods of warfare employed by the belligerents.

The Government would, however, refuse to have anything to do with "pacifist manoeuvres of conciliation" calculated to weaken the Italian people's indomitable spirit. The spokesman stressed in conclusion that the intention and attitude of the Italian Government had not undergone any changes within recent days, operations in East Africa are taking their normal logical course and there being no question of Italian troops evacuating Makale.

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INTERESTING DISCLOSURES AT COUNCIL MEETING YESTERDAY

Hon. Mr. Lo on Civil Servant Population

Some interesting facts were disclosed yesterday at the meeting of the Legislative Council. The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo's questions about salaries paid to European and non-European members of the Public Works Department elicited the astonishing fact that in 1923 the total salaries paid to European staff was \$579,963, whereas in 1935, these figures had almost been doubled. The payroll for Europeans on the P.W.D. was \$1,105,375. Non-European members salaries increased from \$225,859 in 1923 to \$620,143 in 1935.

His Excellency, Sir Andrew Caldecott, Kt., C.M.G., C.B.E., presided for the first time since his arrival in the Colony.

GOVERNMENT'S POLICY

There were eleven New Bills which passed its first Reading and questions raised by the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, on Parking Facilities on the Mainland were answered by the Hon. Mr. F. H. King, while the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo's questions relative to the Civil Servants Population were answered by the Hon. Sir Thomas Southern. The Government's policy in regard to European Officers who, having done 10 years of service in the Colony, but not having reached pensionable age, are nevertheless willing to retire, Sir Thomas Southern said "The Government considers that it would not be economical to permit an officer to retire on pension after ten years in the public service irrespective of the age of such officer, unless his post could be abolished or at least kept for a considerable period."

Others present at the meeting were:

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, Major General Bartholomew, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., The Colonial Secretary (The Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, K.C.B.E., C.M.G.), The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., O.B.E.), Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith), Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. Edwin Taylor), Director of Public Works (Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson), Harbour Master and Director of Aerial Services (Comdr. G. F. Hoie, R.N., Rtd.), Inspector General of Police (Hon. Mr. T. H. King), Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C., Hon. Dr. S. W. T'so, O.B.E., LL.D., Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, O.B.E., Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. H. R. Butters (Deputy Clerk of Council).

G. O. C. SWORN IN

The minutes of the Meeting of December 5, 1935 having been confirmed, His Excellency, Major-General Bartholomew was sworn in and took the Oath of Allegiance, after which Sir Andrew Caldecott announced the composition of the Standing Law Committee, which was as follows: The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, The Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, The Hon. Sir William Shenton and the Hon. Dr. S. W. T'so.

THE HON. MR. BRAGA

Certain papers were tabled thereafter and the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga pursuant to notice asked the following questions.

1. Will the Honourable the Inspector General of Police state—

(a) what are the respective numbers of motor cars, exclusive of buses, trucks and lorries, registered for Kowloon for the past three years—1933 to 1935—inclusive;

(b) what are the facilities on Salisbury Road near the Star Ferry pier for the parking of motor cars;

(c) what is the approximate superficial ground area in each of the above three years allotted for the public parking of cars in that locality; and

(d) whether the ground area referred to in Question (c) represents an increase during the past three years in proportion to the larger number of privately owned cars in Kowloon?

2. Does the Government consider the authorised parking space on Salisbury Road sufficient for

the number of registered motor cars for Kowloon?

3. Should such area not be deemed adequate, by what further provision, if any, and where does the Government contemplate increasing the accommodation to meet suitably the growing demand for parking spaces within the aforesaid area?

4. Does the Government contemplate the use of the open space of Crown land lying between Middle Road and Salisbury Road and the open space on Salisbury Road adjoining and to the east of the existing car park? If not, could not such spaces, or any other piece of Crown land in that neighbourhood, be utilised, provisionally, for adding to existing car parking spaces at Kowloon Point?

REPLIES TO HON. MR. BRAGA

The Hon. Mr. T. H. King (I.G.P.), replied to the above-mentioned questions as under:

1. (a) Statistics are not available for different parts of the Colony. The total number of private cars licensed for the whole Colony was

1933	2605
1934	2846
1935	3078

(b) There is a car park in Salisbury Road for 160 cars (minimum), another in Hankow Road for 20 cars and another in Middle Road for 30 cars.

(c) 1933 3,000 square yards, 1934 3,750, 1935 3,750.

(d) There are no statistics showing the number of privately owned cars in Kowloon.

2. The car park at Salisbury Road is often full. The other two parks in the vicinity are rarely full. The parking spaces are considered reasonably sufficient.

3. In view of answer to Question No. 2 this question does not arise.

4. In view of the answer to Question No. 2 the Government does not contemplate the provision of additional parking spaces on the areas mentioned.

THE CIVIL SERVANT POPULATION

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, pursuant to notice asked the following questions:

1.—(1) What was the total number of European Civil Servants employed by Government at (a) end of 1923, (b) end of 1931, (c) end of 1935; (2) What was the number of persons constituting the European Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff at the aforesaid periods?

2. What was the total amount of salaries paid to the Public Works Department Staff, European and non-European, in (a) 1923, (b) 1931, (c) 1935.

3. Since the date of the Report of the Retrenchment Commission (May 1931) (a) what additions, if any, (b) what reductions, if any, have been made in the European Staff on the Civil List?

4.—(a) In view of the imperative necessity for retrenchment, what is the policy of the Government in regard to European officers who, having done 10 years of service in the Colony, but not having reached pensionable age, are nevertheless willing to retire? (b) If under existing regulations there is no power to permit such retirements, will the Government consider the question of amending such regulations with the view to conferring such power, in order to save the heavy expense of paying the return passage for such officers and families who have only a further short period to serve in order to qualify for pension.

INTERESTING FIGURES

The Hon. Sir Thomas Southern (Colonial Secretary) in answer to the Hon. Mr. Lo's questions said:

- (1) (a) 647, (b) 923, (c) 975, (2) (a) 24, (b) 63, (c) 83.

There was no Senior Clerical and Accounting staff in 1923, but figures have been given in respect of officers who now fall within that category.

(a) 1923	European	\$ 579,963
	Non-European	225,859
	Total	\$ 805,823

(b) 1931	European	\$1,605,054
	Non-European	495,840
	Total	\$2,100,894

(c) 1935	European	\$1,105,375
	Non-European	620,143
	Total	\$1,725,519

- (a) 86, (b) 34.

4. (a) The Government considers that it would not be economical to permit an officer to retire on pension after ten years in the public service irrespective of the age of such officer, unless his post could be abolished or at least kept vacant for a considerable period.

(b) The Government is prepared to give the matter careful consideration.

BILLS PASSED

On the motion of the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (the Attorney General) and seconded by the Hon. Sir Thomas Southern (the Colonial Secretary), the following Bills passed its first Reading:

"A Bill to validate certain under takings which have been constructed or commenced over and upon unleased Crown foreshores and sea bed; and to enact certain general provisions which shall be deemed, incorporated, unless expressly varied or excepted, in future Ordinances authorising reclamation or other works of a public nature over and upon such foreshores and sea bed."

"A Bill to regulate Practice Firing from Hong Kong Defences and for clearing of certain Sea Areas in connection therewith."

"A Bill to amend the Police Force Ordinance, 1932."

"A Bill to make provision for the appointment of Crown Rents."

"A Bill to amend the Gambling Ordinance, 1891."

"A Bill to amend the Coinage Offences Ordinance, 1885."

"A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to Quarantine and the Prevention of Disease among human beings."

"A Bill to amend and consolidate the law relating to Telecommunication."

"A Bill to amend further the Magistrates Ordinance, 1932."

"A Bill to amend the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, 1885, and the Falsification of Documents Ordinance, 1935."

The Council then adjourned till January 30.

MORE MONEY VOTED

Subsequent to the meeting of the Legislative Council, the Finance Committee met under the chairmanship of the Hon. Sir Thomas Southern, and votes totalling \$66,145 were passed.

The highest vote was for Miscellaneous Service, being Rent Allowance for Senior Officers which amounted to \$25,600 while \$25,000 was also allotted to Rent Allowance for European Subordinate Officers under the Miscellaneous Services heading. Rent Allowance for Asiatic Subordinate Officers amounted to \$15,400. A small item of \$145 was appropriated for Incidental Expenses in connection with the Royal Observatory.

HON. SIR H. POLLOCK RE-NOMINATED

Unopposed, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock was re-nominated to the seat in the Legislative Council when his term expired yesterday. There being no other nomination from the Justices of the Peace and Sir Henry Pollock's re-nomination was made on the proposal of the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow being seconded by the Hon. Sir William Shenton.

As this was the only nomination, the election meeting which was to have taken place at noon yesterday at the Supreme Court was not carried out.

ROYAL NAVY Order For Coastal-Motor-Boats

London, Jan. 24.

An order has been placed by the Admiralty with the British Power Boat Company, of Southampton, for six coastal motor-boats. These will be the first vessels of this type to be built for the Royal Navy since 1922. A great advance in the design of these craft has been made during the interval.

In the War 83 coastal motor-boats were built for service with the Harwich Force and the Dover Patrol, and their work in the Zeebrugge-Ostend operations is well known. Thirteen were lost up to the date of the Armistice. With the opening of the Dardanelles a flotilla was sent to Batoum and transported by rail to the Caspian Sea to augment the flotilla of gunboats which had been improvised there. But the most spectacular episode of the C.M.B.'s was in the raid on Kronstadt on August 18, 1919, when eight penetrated the harbour under the guns of the forts, sank two battleships and a submarine depot-ship, and damaged others. Three of the boats never returned.

It was for this action that the Victoria Cross was awarded to Commander C. C. Dobson and Lieutenant Gordon Steele. Two months earlier Lieutenant A. W. S. Agar had won the V.C. for a single-handed attack on the cruiser Oleg, which was destroyed.

WEST INDIES CRUISE

The programme of the cruise of the sloop Dundee, Captain J. H. Edleston, to West Indian ports has been amended. She will leave Bermuda on Boxing Day, a week earlier than at first arranged, in order to visit St. Vincent on December 30. The visit to Antigua from January 6 to 16 remains part of the programme.

NAUTICAL RESEARCH

The annual lecture of the Society for Nautical Research will be delivered in Goldsmiths' Hall, Foster Lane, Cheapside, by permission of the Goldsmiths' Company, on Thursday, February 20, by Mr. Cecil King. His subject will be "Flags in Marine Art." Admiral Sir George Hope, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., chairman of the council, will preside.

CHINA STAFF CHANGE

Commander R. C. Bayne, who has completed two years as Fleet Gunnery Officer on the China Station, in H.M.S. Kent, is to be succeeded by Commander A. N. Grey, who has attended the 1935 staff course. Commander Grey joined the Navy during the War from Dulwich College with a special entry cadetship. He specialised in gunnery in 1923, and as an air pilot in 1925, afterwards serving in the aircraft carriers Eagle and Hermes. He returned to gunnery duties in 1928, and was promoted in 1933 after being gunnery officer in H.M.S. London and squadron gunnery officer in the 1st Cruiser Squadron.

MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS

Aberdare and Fareham left Alexandria for Malta (December 19). Anthony left Port Said (December 22). Ahpls arrived Ichang (Dec. 20). Arrow arrived Port Said (December 21). Bee left Chinkiang for Wuhu (December 20). Bridgewater arrived Lagos (Dec. 20). Codrington left Malta for Haifa (Dec. 20). Courageous and Stronghold left Malta for Alexandria (Dec. 21). Daring and Duncan arrived Port Swettenham (Dec. 21). Delhi, Acasta, Antelope, Achilles, Ardent, and Achernar arrived Haifa (December 21). Deptford arrived Bahrain (Dec. 21). Dragon arrived Rio de Janeiro (December 19). Fearless arrived Devonport (Dec. 20). Folkestone left Wusung for Wei-Hai-Wei (December 20). Glorious and Searcher left Alexandria for Malta (December 21). Grimsby arrived Dobo (Dec. 20). Medway, Olympus, Rover, Otus, Odin, and Perseus arrived Penang (December 21). Neptune, Leander, Faulknor, Fury, Forester, and Foresight left Lisbon (December 20) and arrived Gibraltar (December 21). Orion arrived Gibraltar (December 21). Sandwich left Wusung for Hong Kong (December 20). Submarine H. 31 left Sheerness (Dec. 22). Sydney arrived Lisbon (Dec. 21).

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

TRAGIC END OF WIDOW

Grief Over Loss Of Husband

London, Dec. 24.

A young widow's devotion to her husband rendered her inconsolable when he died from pneumonia. Now her heart lies with him in the grave.

The woman, Mrs. Clothilde Perrone, of Tetherdown, Muswell Hill, London, N., was found dying from poison in her home. Beside her lay a note: "I have gone to join my darling."

She added a request that her body should be cremated, but that her heart should be buried by the side of her husband.

In accordance with her wishes her heart was removed before the body was cremated at the Golders Green Crematorium, the ashes being scattered to the winds. The heart was placed in an urn and buried in her husband's grave at the St. Pancras and Islington Cemetery.

The couple had been devoted during their two short years of marriage.

Some months ago, however, Mrs. Perrone underwent an operation, which took place at the birth of their first baby. The infant died. While she was recovering, her husband, Mr. Ernest Perrone, a hairdresser, of Archway Road, N., was seized with sudden illness. He was taken to hospital and died from pneumonia.

This double blow left Mrs. Perrone grief-stricken, and her own tragic death was the sequel before many weeks had passed.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

The Traffic Accident Weekly Return for January 4th to 11th gives the following figures:

	No. of Accidents	Injured
Running across the road	10	11
Stepping off foot-path	3	3
Walking on the roadway	6	6
Collision between vehicles	24	3
Vehicle Collisions with damage to property	4	1
Jumping on or off or falling off a vehicle when in motion	2	2
Total	49	26

There is no figure of killed.

BAIRD TELEVISION CHAIRMAN

London, Dec. 24.

Sir Harry Greer, chairman of Baird Television, Ltd., replied to day to a shareholder's criticism at an extraordinary meeting of the company in London to-day.

A meeting was considered the directors revised scheme for the re-organisation of the share capital to enable the company to raise additional funds to develop the business. The scheme provided for increasing the capital from £275,000 to £1,087,500 by the creation of 1,100,000 new Preferred Ordinary shares of 2s. 6d. each, forming on class with the existing 1,500,000 Preferred Ordinary shares of 2s. 6d. each, resulting from a subdivision of existing share issues.

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty yesterday: Lt.-Cdr.—R. F. Fegen, to President, for course at R.N. College, Greenwich (Jan. 2).

Surgn. Lt.-Cdr.—E. I. Spinks, B.A., to President, for course at R.N. College, Greenwich (Jan. 2).

Surgn. Lt.—T. L. Cleavey, to President, for course (Jan. 1).

Lt.—T. L. Addison, to Pembroke, for R.N.B. (Jan. 6); and S. J. A. Nix, to Peterhead (undated).

Lt. (E)—J. F. Lewin, to Pembroke, for M.T.E. (Jan. 3).

Surgn. Lt.—J. M. Fitzpatrick, to Enterprise; N. C. Hepburn, M.B., W. F. Viret, and F. H. Lathin, to Pembroke, for R.N.B.; E. G. Silvester and D. Simpson, M.B., to Victoria for R.N.B.; A. E. O'Han, to Hood (January 2).

Royal Australian Navy Lt.—A. M. Wilkinson, to Derby (January 1).

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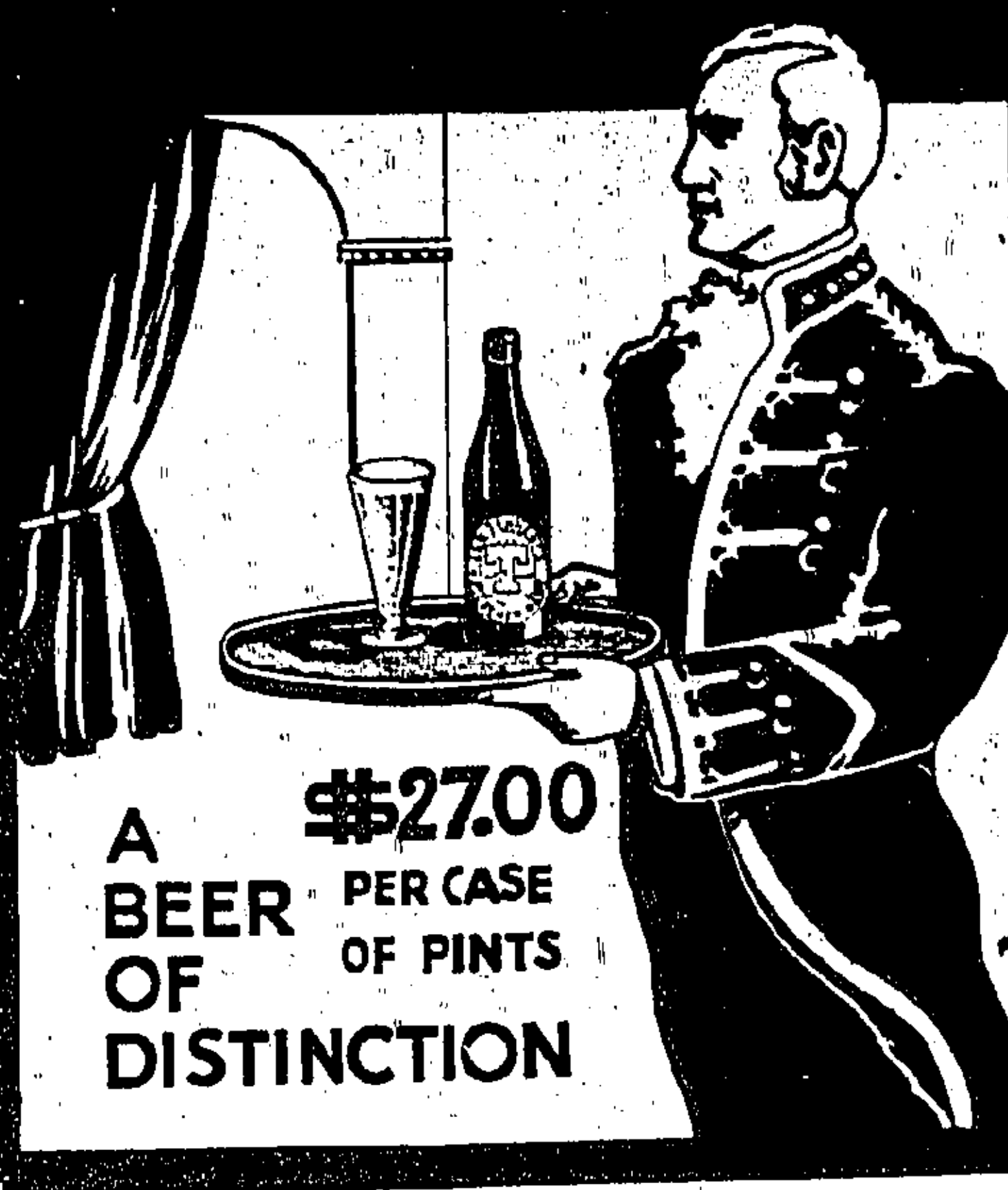
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By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 15th January, 1936.
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INVESTMENT COMPANY UNDER SUSPICION

Tientsin, Jan. 16.
The Investment Company, which opened business here at the end of last year in the British Concession, is regarded as the Soviet headquarters for Bolshevikization endeavours, even though it is ostensibly a commercial firm run by Russian and Chinese shareholders. Despite the announcement that it was established under the laws of the United States, it is holding the flag of Guatemala, thereby arousing suspicion.

The Chinese Communists here and in Peking have suddenly become more active, attracting the attention of various quarters. The secret organizing committee of the Communist Party, which engineered with skill the recent student agitation in North China, is said to be including the faculty members and students of various universities and schools, the leaders of public bodies, soldiers, policemen and Kuomintang members.
Union News.

LEITH-ROSS LEAVES FOR HANKOW

Nanking, Jan. 16.
Sir Frederick Leith-Ross left here for Hankow this morning on an investigation trip. After a brief stay in Hankow, he will return to Shanghai.
Central News Agency.

JAPANESE PROTESTS IN CANTON

(From Our Special Correspondent)
Canton, Jan. 16.
Consul-General Taisuo Kawai told foreign correspondents to-day that he had lodged three protests with the Canton City Government and the First Group Army concerning the anti-Japanese movement as launched by the students here. The protests were both verbal and written.

It is understood that the protests were perfunctory, as the student agitations were not seriously taken in any quarter. The movement is but an attempt of the radicals to create trouble and of several politicians who wish to become the head of Sun Yat-sen University. Their efforts ended in dismal failure.

Chinese officials deny that the student clamour was suppressed as a result of the Japanese protest. Martial law is declared, they say, because the students destroyed the furniture in the Provincial Department of Education and beat two plain clothes men, who visited Sun Yat-sen University last week.

Pang Hung, a member of the so-called Anti-Trust League, who started the shooting at Lee Chi-wan on Monday, died last night as a result of a bullet wound in the head. Students charge that the League is against their patriotic clamour.

SERIOUS CLASH AT CHANGCHOW

Shanghai, Jan. 16.
Chinese press reports from Amoy state that a serious clash took place at Changchow on Wednesday morning when 39 members of the Changchow defence headquarters were killed during a fracas with the 80th division of the Fukien provincial army. Thirty-two members were also arrested. The trouble started during the inspection of 80 members of the headquarters who refused to hand over their arms for inspection.
Reuter.

GEN. SUNG AGREES TO WITHDRAW TROOPS

Tientsin, Jan. 16.
General Sung Chai-yuan, Chairman of the Hopei Provincial Government, agreed to-day to withdraw his 29th Army from Tangku and Taku following a meeting here between Mayor Hsiao Ching-yong and Major-General Kenji Doihara, according to Japanese reports. The agreement will be signed in Tientsin.
The Japanese are demanding the reorganization of the Hopei and Chahar Provincial Government in order to make it independent of the National Government.
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GIRDLING THE EARTH

During the last few weeks, while public attention has been absorbed by other problems, decisions have been taken and experiments successfully made towards fixing the air routes which will serve the world during the next century. The idea of encircling the world by air is no longer a romantic vision. It is now near accomplishment, and tentative time schedules for commercial services suggest that within three or four years the adventurous voyager may be able to take a ticket for a flight round the world that will occupy no more than fifteen days.

Last month the first commercial service across the Pacific has begun regular operation; agreement has been reached between the British Empire and the United States for a joint service across the North Atlantic; and a base in the estuary of the Shannon has been chosen as its European junction. The Australian Government is about to sanction the proposals for an additional weekly service between Singapore and Brisbane, and for extension of that route through Sydney to New Zealand. By the end of next year New Zealand will also be touched by a branch of the American service in the Pacific and will have rapid communication with the United States and Canada. This is typical of the branch lines which will soon begin to act as feeders to the main trunk routes. From Penang a branch has just been opened to serve Hong Kong. Plans have been made for a minor service between Khartum and the West Coast of Africa. In India there are feeder lines joining Madras, Lahore, and Dacca with the main route.

There still, however, remain gaps in the principal lines. The United States operates at present only between San Francisco and the Philippines. Some day the line must go on to Hong Kong and China. The British service which ends to-day at Brisbane must be continued to New Zealand and thence across the Pacific to Vancouver. The Atlantic must become an aeronautical highway between the oceans. The main routes which the aeroplane will take have declared themselves. The special attributes which those routes must acquire are becoming capable of definition. The implications in joint planning and reciprocal action between the nations are fairly clear and the prospect of international co-operation is to be seen. In some senses the balance of the world is about to be altered. It is not merely that distance, as measured by units of time, will be drastically diminished, or that backwoods towns may find themselves on a busy traffic lane, or that the equivalent of lighthouses will have to be maintained far out in the midst of the greatest oceans as outposts of Empire. Already Arab settlements in the Persian Gulf, native villages in Africa, remote sheep stations in Australia, and rocky islands in the Pacific have in a few months become airports with wireless stations, lighting systems, resthouses, and all the paraphernalia of traffic centres. As the railroads cut new channels for their streams of traffic last century, so the air route is taking the boon and the burden of fast transport into unexpected places.

But the significance of this girdling of the earth goes deeper into human affairs. The change to air transport requires goodwill between nations. The new system cannot be solidly established unless this goodwill may go hand in hand with a measure of exclusiveness in the reservation of a nation's traffic for the aircraft of that nation. It cannot be safely operated unless the nations take up seriously the obligations of ensuring safety which the acceptance of an air service lays upon them. The relations in process of establishment between Great Britain and the United States constitute an example of the new system of balance and reciprocity which the development will demand. Great Britain stands aside the North Atlantic in Newfoundland and Bermuda; the United States aside the Pacific in Honolulu and the Philippines. The United States is to be permitted to use British steers.

MOTOR MISHAP IN KOWLOON

Mr. Fraser's Son Thrown Out

A motor accident involving Mr. G. Fraser, his son and a Chinese female, named Wan Kan, occurred yesterday along Waterloo Road.

Mr. Fraser was driving an Austin seven, No. 252, from the Kowloon Hospital and, when near Prince Avenue, the Chinese woman, Wan Kan, ran across the path of the car. In order to avoid hitting the girl, Mr. Fraser swerved and in doing so the car turned on to its side.

The girl was knocked down and received a cut in her back. G. Fraser, junior, the son, was catapulted out of the car and received cuts on his knees and some minor abrasions. Both the injured were taken to the hospital and their injuries are stated not to be of a serious nature.

The car sustained a broken windscreen and a damaged hood and axle.

CHINESE REPORTED MISSING

Note Suggesting Suicide.

A report was received by the police yesterday, from Chan Mok Sang who stated that his father, Chan Wing has been missing from home since 7 p.m. of January 15. The missing man was employed as a watchman at a Public Works Department shed at Tai Kok Tsui. He left a note suggesting that he was going to end his own life.

The police made a search of the foreshore at Tai Kok Tsui and the missing man's hat and shoes were found. It is presumed that the man ended his life by jumping into the harbour.

JAPAN OUT OF THE DAVIS CUP

Lock Of Funds And Talent

Tokyo, Jan. 16.
Due to lack of funds and talent, the Japan Lawn Tennis Association has decided not to participate in the Davis Cup matches in 1936.
Reuter.

ping stones on the Atlantic crossing; Great Britain will some day be allowed to call at Honolulu and San Francisco on the way between New Zealand and Canada. In either case the aircraft of one nation will be dependent for accurate navigation and safety on services provided by the other. The arrangement to cover the Atlantic gives a hint of the premises which must be accepted mutually if disappointment is to be avoided and the possible causes of friction removed. The United States Government has no authority to entrust its air mails to the air lines of other nations. The British Government has no intention of handing Empire air mails to non-British operators. Official traffic is tending to be reserved by the nations to their own nationalities.

The recognition of such limitations as these is a desirable preliminary to the joint operation of difficult routes. The ocean crossings, more than the average routes over land, demand ground services of the highest order. However efficient the aeroplane may be, however skilled in marine navigation may be its crew, it must be assured of assistance in times of bad weather. Not only is a forced descent on a rough sea a perilous affair for the flying-boat at the present stage in its development, but its dependence on speed for lift, and on fuel to secure speed, place a definite limit on the time it may be allowed to spend in seeking port. It may not lie off like a ship, waiting for the weather to mend. Directional wireless must bring it infallibly into harbour, and when visibility is bad, wireless beacons must at last conduct it from the air down to the surface of the water. The seaplane base must be equipped with all the services which a flyingboat and its complement might need to set them comfortably again on their way. Those who organize the routes will naturally give themselves the first chance to occupy them securely. The sense of security and the growth of traffic which may be expected will lead readily enough to the subsequent admission of others who may perhaps have little to offer in return.

NAVAL VIEWPOINTS AT VARIANCE

Japan Withdraws From London Conference

London, Jan. 15.
The Japanese decision to withdraw from the Conference was officially announced in a statement issued at the end of to-day's meeting.

"We desire to declare most emphatically that notwithstanding our withdrawal from the Conference we are far from entertaining the slightest wish to embark upon an armaments race," the statement added. "We are firmly determined to endeavour, as heretofore, to promote the cause of world peace by assiduously cultivating the best and friendliest relations with other nations."

ITALIAN PRESS VIEWS

Rome, Jan. 15.
While it is generally regarded as likely that this will be the last day of the Five Power Naval Conference in London, Japan's withdrawal will be taken here as foreshadowing an open clash between Eastern and Western Imperialism in the Pacific.

The newspaper "Stampa" declares that Japan has won all the points of the game during the past few years. Now the Washington Treaty system is ended. Great Britain and the United States will have only one weapon at their disposal, namely, the fortification of Hong Kong and the Philippines. But will they resort to this? The paper asks itself. "Elberio, Britain and America have prevented the fateful Pacific conflict from assuming an aspect of open war by simply giving way before the Japanese advance; but renunciation is no solution, and grave issues will arise to-morrow for the United States and the British Empire," says this newspaper.

The Italian press generally deplores "the short-sightedness" of Great Britain in laying up her fleet in the Mediterranean and absorbing her energies in the miserable Ethiopian conflict while Japan is building up an "imprudent position in the Far East, from which will come a menace" to European interests in China as a whole and to the whole future of the British Empire in the Pacific. The press talks of the possibility of construction, under Japanese auspices, of a canal through the Isthmus of Kra, which would destroy the power of the Singapore naval base.
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GERMANY'S POSITION

Berlin, Jan. 15.
The veiled threat that Germany might consider the Anglo-German naval pact jeopardized as a result of the withdrawal of the Japanese, is contained in a communique published in the "Deutsche Korrespondenz" to-day. The communique is regarded as reflecting the views of the Wilhelmstrasse.
It declares that "Germany proved her willingness to adapt her demands for security to a general reduction of naval armament by concluding the Anglo-German naval pact. Therefore Germany would like to see certain developments avoided which might endanger existing agreements and create a new situation with all its problems."
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NO SURPRISE

Berlin, Jan. 15.
The Japanese withdrawal from the Naval Conference is regarded as the inevitable outcome by practically the entire press of Germany.
"Japan goes, but Moscow comes" is the comment of the "Kokalanzeiger." This paper adds: "The absence of an honest deter-

COLONEL LINDBERGH'S NEW QUARTERS

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Rome, Jan. 16.
Colonel Lindbergh and family are planning to take up quarters at Alaska, Italian Riviera, according to reports from Italian news agencies which state that an agent has been making enquiries at this resort with a view to renting a villa with a large sports ground which, it is understood, will be required for airplane landings.
Transocean Kuo Min.

EARTHQUAKE FELT IN SOUTH AFRICA

Capetown, Jan. 16.
An earthquake shock was felt in Orange Free State this morning. It lasted thirty seconds and no damage was reported.
Reuter's Bulletin Service.

TIECHMAN REACHES RAWALPINDI

New Delhi, Jan. 16.
Sir Eric Tiechman, arrived at Rawalpindi by air this afternoon and is proceeding to New Delhi. He has had an adventurous journey from Peking.
Reuter.

NEWS SUMMARY

In a ground rugby match, the New Zealand Universities defeated a representative Hong Kong side. The visitors were superior in all branches of the game, and they outplayed the local fifteen most decisively. Full report appears on Page 10.

His Excellency, the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott presided for the first time at a meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday since his arrival in the Colony in December. Questions from the Hon. Mr. Braga on the parking facilities and also from the Hon. Mr. K. Lo relative to the Civil Servants Population were put before the Council and were answered.
Page 7.

Ho Hung-tim, 21, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Central Magistracy yesterday on two charges: (a) boarding a ferry boat belonging to the H.K.Y. Ferry Co. without paying his fare, and (b) causing damage to property.
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A application to reopen the case in which the Hon. Sir William Shenton and Mr. M. H. Turner successfully sued Choy Wai Hon of the Hong Kong Trading Co. (1931) Ltd., for \$888.88, being interest due on a mortgage, was made by Mr. C. E. R. Sanderson, on behalf of the defendant, before Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden at the Summary Court yesterday.
Page 5.

The usual Wednesday Practice and Spoon Shoot was held under the aegis of the Hong Kong Rifle Association. Full details appear on Page 10.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The wedding took place at the Registry yesterday of Mr. Kwik Tioe-bing, a well-known merchant in Java, and Miss Jenny Tan. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. Kwik Hok-gwan and the bride is the daughter of the late Mr. Tan Hock-tuan. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Registrar, officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. G. Yappe and B. Chang.

The work of substituting the traffic post at the top of Pedder Street with another on the basement outside Shell House is now being undertaken by the Public Works Department. The new position of the post will enable the traffic policeman to watch both Pedder Street and Queen's Road without having to turn round, as hitherto.

Chan Sang, a fisherman, of boat No. 6373B, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday suffering from severe injuries caused when a stick of dynamite exploded in his hand while he was fishing off Ping Chau on January 14.

Ng Kwai, a stone mason, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital on Wednesday suffering from injuries received when he fell from a height of about thirty feet while working at No. 133 Tai Nam Street.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at E.E. Telegraph Co., Ltd.:—R4606, Jan. 14, Victoria Shaw Pres. Cleveland from San Francisco; and R4720, Jan. 14, Galvin, Queen's Buildings from Sydney.

Two cases of Diphtheria and two of Cerebro-Spinal Fever were reported to the Health Authorities during the 24 hours ended on Wednesday.

Names for ten new warships for the British Navy are announced in London. Nine begin with the letter "I." They include, for what is believed to be the first time in the Navy's history, the names Imperial, Ilex and Impulsive. The new ships are as follows: a Flotilla Leader to be called Ingfield, and destroyers (Interpild Class) to be called Ilexus, Ilex, Imogen, Imperat, Intrepid, Impulsive, Isis, Ivanhoe and a submarine depot ship to be called Maidstone. By calling the destroyers the Intrepid class, the Admiralty pays tribute to the part played by H.M.S. Intrepid, one of the block-ships at Zeebrugge in 1918. The flotilla leader, as is usual, is named after a distinguished sailor. In this case, the name Ingfield honours a family whose men for successive generations have served with distinction in the Navy. The present Rear-Admiral Sir Edward Ingfield is the son of the late Admiral Sir Edward Ingfield, grandson of Rear-Admiral Samuel Ingfield and great-grandson of Captain John Nicholas Ingfield, R.N. who was, as Captain, in the H.M.S. Barrelet in 1781.

REPORT OF FURTHER BOMBING OF RED CROSS

Ambulance Commanded
By Major BurgoyneFOURTEEN KILLED AND
MANY WOUNDED

Village Town Set On Fire

Fourteen persons were killed and 35 wounded in the reported heavy bombing of a Red Cross ambulance commanded by a Briton, Major Burgoyne, by three Italian war planes midway between Dessie and Lake Ashangi. Major Burgoyne was unhurt and a British ambulance is rushing to the scene.

The bombing was carried out in the village of Waddia and lasted over an hour. Major Burgoyne's tent was destroyed, while the instruments and stores were burnt in the fire which followed the bombing.

Six incendiary 300-lb. bombs were dropped. A strong wind carried the flames very rapidly to the thatched roof, causing very great damage.

It is reported that fourteen bodies which have been found so far consist entirely of women, old men and children, while the majority of the wounded are women and old men.

It is claimed that Geneva Red Cross markings were clearly on display at the time of the bombing.

A British ambulance with four doctors and twelve assistants has been rushed to Waddia along difficult and perilous roads at night time in response to a telegram from Major Burgoyne.

The remainder of the British unit under Dr. Melly proceeded to the scene before dawn.—*Reuter.*

GENEVA INDIGNATION

Geneva, Jan. 16.

The report of further bombing of ambulances by Italian planes has aroused general indignation in Geneva where it is asked what is behind the Italian action.

The whole question of Red Cross violation is almost certain to be discussed by the Council which may ask Baron Aloisi for an explanation.

It is suggested in some quarters that Signor Mussolini is seeking an excuse for demonstrative exit from the League.—*Reuter.*

A.O.F.C. TRIAL
DEVELOPMENTNo Case Against
Driscoll

Shanghai, Jan. 16.

Alfred Hamilton Driscoll, Secretary-Treasurer and Director of the A.O.F.C. turned State's evidence when the trial of F. J. Raven and Warner Brown on charges of embezzlement, theft and fraud was resumed in the United States Court for China this morning.

Driscoll was named with Raven and Brown in the first information filed by the Government after closure of the A.O.F.C. was made last year. This information charged only embezzlement.

In the Court this morning the United States Attorney, Mr. Feltham, Watson moved a nolle prosequi against Driscoll, Judge Milton Helmsick granted the motion and Driscoll then testified.—*Reuter.*

AUSTRALIANS IN
INDIAMaharaja's Son Scores
A Century

Calcutta, Jan. 16.

The unofficial Test match between Australia and Patiala was continued to-day when Patiala were dismissed for 362, of which total the son of the Maharajah contributed 132.

It appears that the Patiala team was demoralised this morning by the accurate bowling of Alexander, who returned on analysis of 5 wickets for 62 runs.

At close of play yesterday Patiala had made 301 for 5 wickets.

TOWN ALSO BOMBED

Dessie, Jan. 16.

Another bomb attack was made on Wednesday on the Abyssinian Red Cross section at the north front at Waddia, 97 miles north of Dessie, according to an Abyssinian announcement, which states that this unit is in the charge of the British Major Burgoyne.

Although the Red Cross signs were unmistakable, three Italian planes dropped many bombs which hit and partly destroyed the Red Cross outfit. Major Burgoyne then got into contact with the Abyssinian ambulances Nos. 2, 3 and 5.

After attacking the Red Cross unit, the Italians turned their attention to the small town of Waddia where incendiary bombs were dropped.

A heavy wind was blowing at the time so that the flames spread with great rapidity, destroying half of the town. Fourteen persons perished in the flames and 12 others suffered injuries.

Major Burgoyne's ambulance worked heroically, rendering first aid so far as the raging fires permitted.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

SUNG PLEASURES
JAPANPeiping Incident
Settled

Tientsin, Jan. 16.

The placatory attitude of General Sung Cheh-yuan, who expressed regrets for the Taku and Chaoyangmen incidents, has enabled the two-hour final Japanese conference here last evening to end in a cordial atmosphere. A spokesman at Japanese headquarters said that the Chaoyangmen affair was settled, but the Taku incident was still outstanding.

He believed the amalgamations of East Hopei and Hopei-Chahar Council was not discussed and said that the issue was a diplomatic one in which the Japanese military have not interfered.

General Igasaki left for Changchun this morning and General Dohara is departing for Peiping this afternoon.—*Reuter.*

RAILWAY CONTROL

Peiping, Jan. 16.

It is learned from reliable sources that General Sung Cheh-yuan has now taken over control of all railways in North China as well as all salt fields including those at Changliu in the Demilitarised Zone. Mr. Yin Ju-keng will draw \$100,000 monthly to leave the railway in his territory alone and similarly he will receive a monthly payment from the Changliu salt revenues.—*Reuter.*

Australia in their innings had scored 59 for no wicket at lunch time. The Maharajah of Patiala, who personally brought the Australian team to India, captained the Australian side, while his son, who distinguished himself against good bowling, captained the home team.—*Reuter.*

GOJJAM REVOLT
REPORTStir In Italian
Circles

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Asmara, Jan. 16.

A great sensation was caused here on Wednesday by the report that a revolt against the Abyssinian government had broken out in the province of Gojjam.

The province of Gojjam, it is asserted here, has been on bad terms with the central government ever since the ruler of the province, Ras Balu, died through poisoning some years ago. Fugitives from the frontier districts declare that the Gojjam forces revolted against the Government troops and defeated the latter near Debra Markos.

The Abyssinian Emperor, the report adds, is greatly worried by these reports and is rushing reliable troops to Gojjam to suppress the uprising. Italian quarters here attach great importance to the Gojjam developments which are watched with great interest.

The Abyssinian government, it is said, are making every effort to prevent the son of the alleged poisoned Ras Balu from escaping from Addis Ababa where he is being kept a prisoner since 1932. Rumours that Ras Balu died from poisoning while in captivity in Addis Ababa, it is believed, caused the second son, who is now ruling in Gojjam and who hitherto has been loyal to the central government, to rise in revolt against the Emperor.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Jan. 16.

London silver prices to-day were down 3/16 for "Spot," and unquoted for "Forward," as follows:

Spot	20-1/16	19-7/8
Forward	unquoted	unquoted

HOSTILITY IN
FRANCEFate Of Cabinet In
The Balance

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Paris, Jan. 16.

The question of the Laval government's chances of surviving the coming Chamber debates in the face of increasing hostility in the Radical and Socialist ranks is once more in the foreground. Parliamentary circles anticipate that the Premier may precipitate matters on Thursday by stating the Cabinet's fate on the demand that all questions concerning the government's policy be postponed until after the existing interpellation on agriculture has been dealt with.

It is considered highly problematic whether in such circumstances M. Laval will succeed in getting a vote of confidence especially as the Left Wing, including the Radical Socialists are none too anxious in view of the forthcoming elections to leave M. Laval in control of the electoral machine.

The general impression prevails that the government is in a less favourable position than in big debates before the holidays when France's foreign political prestige was involved.

Considerable resentment has also been caused by the fact that while proceedings have been instituted against members of the Left Wing groups who were involved in the recent riots at Limoges, no action has been taken against members of the Fire Cross organisation who were accused of having fired on their opponents.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

SOMALILAND TROOPS IN
THREE-DAY BATTLEItalians Claim Victory
Over Ras Desta

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Rome, January 16.

The first detailed reports on General Graziani's offensive coming from Italy's special correspondents now appearing in the Italian press speak of the three-day battle of January 12 to 15 against Ras Desta and ending in a complete Italian victory. The version given by "Piccolo's" representative at Mogadishu implies that General Graziani's success completely checkmated Ras Desta's planned attempt to take Dolo.

The Abyssinian troops between Canale Doria and Dana Parma, writes "Piccolo," are being stubbornly and successfully pursued. General Graziani in a series of rapid attacks between January 12 and 14 has dislodged the Abyssinians from all the positions, though the latter were very well armed and fought desperately.

The Italians during the three days' fight made extensive use of airplanes and tanks which, are being employed successfully on the follow-up also which includes in the scope of operations the whole of the Garra region.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

MAKALE ENCIRCLED

Addis Ababa, Jan. 16.

Makale is now almost completely encircled by Abyssinian forces according to a report received here from Dessie, which states that the Italians are forced to employ planes in order to supply small garrisons which remained in Makale with provisions and ammunition.

The Abyssinians, it is asserted, are only delaying capturing the city for tactical reasons.

The Italian air force on the entire northern front is extremely active and systematically trying to disperse any large concentrations of Abyssinian troops by aerial attacks. The Italian planes, however, have so far failed to demoralise the Abyssinian troops and the successes gained by them are entirely out of proportion with the efforts made.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

EARLIER REPORT

Rome, Jan. 15.

A battle is now in progress near Dolo according to Italian official Bulletin No. 97, issued on Wednesday, which states that General Graziani has launched a vigorous counter-attack on January 12 against the troops of Ras Desta which advanced between Canale Doria and Dana Parma some days ago and attempted to exert pressure on the Dolo sector of the Somali front.

The Abyssinians were defeated and pursued, states the report, adding that the battle is still continuing along the whole front. The Italian losses are stated as "not heavy up to the present." Activity of the air-force has increased on the northern front.—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

MEETING AT
GENEVASanctions Measures
To Be Reviewed

London, Jan. 16.

The British delegation to the meeting of the League Council on January 20 under the leadership of the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will leave London at the week-end and the policy to be pursued at Geneva was one of the matters under consideration at yesterday's meeting of the Cabinet.

It is understood that the Italian representatives will attend when the Council meets and will withdraw when the Italo-Abyssinian question comes up, whereupon other members will continue as the Committee of Thirteen and will receive a report recording the failure of efforts at conciliation.

The measures already taken to bring economic pressure to bear upon Italy as the aggressor in the dispute will be reviewed and it is believed the review will show they are working effectively.

The Committee of Eighteen which was appointed by the Co-ordination Committee of the League Assembly to direct measures against the aggressor has already agreed that the existing sanctions should be supplemented by refusal to Italy of certain other commodities, including oil supplies, provided it was established that such embargo would be effective. Inquiries in regard to this will presumably be undertaken and the report of technicians will be called for to show the degree of efficacy which may be expected in the existing circumstances.

One of the most important factors to be studied will probably be the bearing of President Roosevelt's new neutrality policy proposed to but not yet enacted by the United States Congress.

The main lines of the British foreign policy will, it is understood, be surveyed in a speech which Mr. Eden will deliver in his parliamentary constituency to-morrow night.—*British Wireless.*

OIL SANCTIONS
DISCUSSEDNo Decision Yet
In Britain

London, Jan. 15.

The question of oil sanctions occupied most of the Cabinet's time this morning.

After discussion, it was generally felt it was impossible to tell to what extent an oil embargo should be applied and to what extent the oil supplying countries were prepared to co-operate. It was therefore impossible to take an immediate decision with regard to an embargo.

It is understood the question of the fate of the American Neutrality Bill was also raised.

It is believed the policy of the Government will be to favour continuing sanctions against Italy but to ascertain by inquiry on the spot how the situation stands with regard to an oil embargo.

Technical aspects of the problem will be explored by Mr. Anthony Eden at Geneva. It is learned that it is not a question for decision for or against oil sanctions that confronts the Cabinet, but a decision whether or not they can be carried out.

It is also gathered that from the viewpoint of enforcement of sanctions, the co-operation of member states of the League of Nations has improved.—*Reuter.*

FORCED LANDING

Khartoum, Jan. 15.

An Italian military plane made a forced landing to-day at Tokar, but the occupants were saved.

It is not known what action the Sudan Government may take.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

BADOGLIO RUMOURS
DENIED

Rome, Jan. 16.

Persistent rumours that Marshal Badoglio, supreme commander of the Italian forces in East Africa, who is feeling the effects of the altitude of Entebbe, has asked to be relieved of his command are officially denied.—*Reuter.*



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RUSSIA'S ADMISSION
TO THE LEAGUE"Tribuna" Attacks Britain
And France

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Rome, Jan. 16.

In sharp criticism of Molotov's speech to the Central Executive Committee, the "Tribuna" takes the opportunity of making renewed attacks on the League of Nations, Britain and France heading an article "Geneva as branch of Moscow" and accusing these two countries of having supported and encouraged the Soviet to the League of Nations and concluding agreements with Moscow.

"When the Italo-Abyssinian trouble started," writes the paper, "the incomprehensible happened—London took Moscow's hand. The intelligence service concluded a loathsome alliance with the men from Kremlin whom previously the British Government

had expelled. The greatest Empire the conservative country built up on tradition allied itself with men whose plan is world revolution."

The paper remarks that the possibility to which Molotov alluded might be the starting point of revolution in Europe, perhaps the world and asks whether Britain realises all the dangers threatened by the "double-edged weapons" of Moscow. With the entry of the Moscow government into the League of Nations these dangers had crept into the international organs.

"To-day," concludes the journal, "British and French statesmen and government officials lend support to the instructions for the League of Nations drawn up by Stalin and his associates. Europe is on the point of committing 'harakiri'."—*Transocean Kuo Min.*

KIPLING'S CONDITION

London, Jan. 16.

A bulletin issued this morning stated that Mr. Kipling passed a quiet night and the improvement has been maintained. No further bulletins will be issued if his condition continues satisfactory. Later it was stated that his condition was not so satisfactory and that it still gives rise to anxiety.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

DOCTOR OPTIMISTIC

London, Jan. 15.

A bulletin issued at 6.30 p.m. states that Mr. Rudyard Kipling had a very restful day, this morning's improvement being still maintained.

A later bulletin, issued at 10.30 p.m., stated that Mr. Kipling was maintaining his slight improvement.

It is stated that Dr. A. E. Webb-Johnson, the surgeon attending the patient, is now very optimistic, especially in view of the very fair day which Mr. Kipling has had.—*Reuter.*

SWINDON RAILWAY
COLLISION

Driver Among Killed

London, Jan. 16.

Two of the injured have since died as a result of the railway accident at Swindon.

The cause of the accident will not be known until after the official inquiry, but it is understood that the couplings of the trucks of the goods train were broken off and the guard was unable to warn

MONGOLIA-MANCHUKUO,
FRICTION

Moscow, Jan. 15.

Vigorous language is used in notes exchanged by the Governments of the Mongolian Peoples Republic and Manchukuo on the subject of the recent border incidents. Manchukuo has threatened to take decisive action, notwithstanding the consequences involved.

In reply the Mongolians have asserted the frontier incidents have been caused by Manchukuo and Japan, who are clearly aiming at complicating relations.

The Mongolian Government adds that no-one in the entire world believes that the Mongolian people, entirely occupied as they are with economic and cultural development, are striving to effect a war with Japan and provoke clashes with Japanese and Manchukuo troops.

The note further draws the attention of the Manchukuo Government to the great danger to the cause of peace of further attacks on its frontier units and demands the immediate return of arrested Mongolian soldiers.

Both parties dispute the claim that their troops were on their own territory when the clashes referred to in the notes occurred.—*Reuter.*

the passenger express in time to avoid an accident.

The engine driver of the passenger train, who was regarded as one of the ablest and safest drivers, and who was one of those killed, was under the wreckage two hours before being extricated.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

NEW ZEALANDERS DELIGHT IN RUGGER DISPLAY OUTPLAY HONGKONG IN EVERY DEPARTMENT

Visiting "Threes" Do Trojan Work

In a game full of thrills, and featured by fast and accurate passing bouts, the visiting New Zealand Universities Rugby Fifteen defeated the Colony side, by 5 goals and a dropped goal (25 points) to a goal and a penalty goal (8 points) yesterday at the Happy Valley ground.

A large crowd of rugby enthusiasts turned out for the game, the covered stands being particularly well patronised, and one may safely assume that they did not go away disappointed with the fare offered.

Among the interested spectators present, were several distinguished local personages which included His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Sir John Little, His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Forces, Major General A. W. Batholomew, Lady Southorn and others. Promptly on the scheduled time, the players of both fifteens lined up in front of the covered stands, where they were introduced to H. E. The Governor, who shook hands with each player. Sir Andrew Caldecott was escorted round by Mr. G. H. Potts President of the Hong Kong Football Club, and the New Zealand Manager.

Before the game commenced the New Zealanders gave in rousing fashion their famous "war cry" in full view of the stands, and on completion of their complicated and highly amusing "greeting", they were given hearty applause by the appreciative grand-standers. A commentary of the play was broadcast by Mr. Reece and Lt. Metcalfe (R.A.).

THE PLAY

The visiting fifteen made no changes to their advertised side, while Hong Kong brought in W. Peers, (Club) in place of Mue. Light, (Navy).

The Colony made the first three-quarter movement of the match, when Lt. Fraser was grazed before he could become dangerous. From the resultant scrum New Zealand got possession and McAuliffe sent Parsons away. Keen marking by the Colony backs saw the movement fizzle out, but the visitors were not to be denied, for following a scrum near the Hong Kong posts, Parsons went over for New Zealand's first points, when the game had been only five minutes old. Bush converted the effort with a fine kick.

In tackling Parsons Robertson had the misfortune to sustain a damaged ear, which necessitated his leaving for a few minutes. He returned soon later with his left ear in plaster, and resumed play.

Hong Kong attacked but their three were passing and handling badly in direct contrast to the New Zealanders—and Lt. Fraser was again prominent with a neat kick that found touch near the right hand corner flag. From the line up Bonnar got the ball and sent his three away. Hutcheon broke through and raised Hong Kong's hopes high, but Bush was equal to the occasion and grassed him before the former could become dangerous. Hong Kong again got the ball, but Drake and Hudson, following up quickly, cleared.

The New Zealand backs were handling the ball very cleanly and evoked justifiable praise from the spectators. Following a splendid movement Jones received the ball from Fookes and touched down slightly wide of the posts. Bush made no mistake with his kick at conversion.

VISITORS ON TOP

The New Zealanders were enjoying the better of matters in the tight scrum, and got the ball time and again, for McAuliffe to sent out long and well directed passes. Hong Kong however were marking their men very closely, and several promising movements by the visitors were brought to nought by keen tackling.

McGillchrist was prominent with a fine run down the right wing, but his punt ahead was gathered by Bush and kicked into touch. Hong Kong kept up pressure until the Universities broke away and with a delightful movement of hand to hand passing, Watt received from Gillies and raced down the line. Robertson however was on the spot, and brought him down with a splendid tackle.

Following a scrum Parsons received the ball but "knock on" spoilt New Zealand's chances. Butcher relieved the pressure of the Hong Kong lines with a splendid run, and punted into touch. Disaster was to follow for Hong Kong soon afterwards when Fookes kicked ahead, and Robertson in his anxiety to clear, failed to hold the ball for Gillies, who had followed up to fall on it and scored a try. Bush again made no mistake with his kick.

New Zealand were soon on the attack again, and Gillies thrilled the spectators with a splendid run through the Colony defence, before transferring to Parsons who finished off a magnificent effort by touching down near the posts. Bush converted with a grand kick. The breather came soon afterwards, with New Zealand leading by 20 points to nil.

SENSATIONAL SECOND HALF

The second half commenced sensationally when right from the initial Hong Kong kick-off, a New Zealand forward received the ball, passing to McAuliffe, who transferred to Parsons, for the three to move down the field with a machine like precision that was delightful to watch. Watts received the ball and ran fully 50 yards at break-neck speed, before he was grassed by Robertson.

Following his fine effort, Robertson had to leave the field for further attention to his ear, but was not absent for long, before he returned with his head swathed in bandages and was given an ovation for his pluck. In the meanwhile Lt. Sowman left the scrum and dropped back as full back in Robertson's vacated position.

New Zealand kept up pressure and humped Hong Kong in their own 25. St. Clair Ford broke away, but was brought down by a splendid tackle in front of the stands. A good movement saw McAuliffe break through. He passed high, however, but the New Zealand forwards backing up, punted ahead. Sowman hesitated between kicking for touch and gathering the ball, and his brief lapse proved fatal for he bungled the ball and Burke pounced on it, to obtain another try for the Universities. Bush converted his fifth kick at goal.

COLONY'S FIRST POINT

A penalty against Hong Kong near the centre of the field saw Bush attempt to kick a goal, his effort missing very narrowly. McGillchrist kicked forward following but Bush gathered the ball, and after handling off McGillchrist in decisive fashion set his three in motion. Watt received the ball, but St. Clair Ford brought him down effectively. New Zealand were penalised soon afterwards, Butcher dropping a magnificent kick between the posts to register Hong Kong first points against the Universities. New Zealand were again penalised a few minutes later for throwing the ball into touch; Robertson gaining deserved applause with a kick to serve Parsons with a kick to touch. Hong Kong were then pulled up for offside, but Bush failed with his kick at goal. Hong Kong received another lease of life when following off-side play again, Bush failed miserably with his effort at goal.

Following a scrum near the Hong Kong 25 McAuliffe sent his three away, who indulged in some splendid passing bouts. They gained much valuable ground, but St. Clair Ford came to the rescue of the Colony with a tackle that grassed Bush. Another hand to hand movement by the Universities backs saw Gillies drop a

neat goal. Nothing daunted Hong Kong continued the attack when McGillchrist supported by Evans made the spectators tremble with excitement with a splendid dribbling movement which culminated in McGillchrist touching down near the posts. Robertson added major points, and shortly afterwards "no side" was called.

THE PLAYERS

The visiting team lined up as under:—
Full Back:—G. R. Bush, Auckland.
Three Quarters:—B.V.A. Jones, Otago; H. H. Fookes, Otago; J. M. Watt, Otago; C. C. Gillies, Captain, Otago.

Half Back:—G. A. Parsons, Canterbury; J. J. McAuliffe, Canterbury.
Forwards:—W. R. Laney, Otago; R. B. Burke, Canterbury; R. J. Thomas, Auckland; L. S. Drake, Auckland; D. A. Hudson, Canterbury; O. W. Chapman, Otago; A. E. Chesterman, Auckland; and T. O. Stace, Canterbury.

COLONY XV

Full Back:—L. G. Robertson, Captain, Club.
Three Quarters:—H. R. McGillchrist, Club; Lt. Fraser, Navy; J. Hutcheon, Club; Lt. D. St. Clair Ford, Navy.

Half Back:—A. H. R. Butcher, Club; J. L. Bonnar, Club.
Forwards:—W. Peers, Club; J. S. Chambers, Club; M. S. Cummings, Club; Pay-Lt. Sowman, Navy; J. H. McEneaney, Club; E. B. Gammell, Club; A. F. Walkden, Club and A. B. Evans, Navy.
Referee:—Dr. J.A.R. Seiby.

HOME FOOTBALL SUSPENSION

Two Important Cases Dealt With

London, Dec. 24
London has had two important cases of suspensions of players within a few weeks—McKenzie of Brantford, and Bambrick of Chelsea. McKenzie's case started a first-class controversy concerning the adequacy of the system of adjudicating by correspondence between the three members of the F.A. Emergency Committee. I think the case of Bambrick will also leave its mark, writes a correspondent.

In Ireland, where he played for many years, and in London, where he has been for exactly one year, Bambrick's reputation is that of an easy-tempered, entirely honourable player. Those who knew him were staggered when they heard he was accused of having kicked a Sheffield Wednesday player. It seemed incredible.

NO ALTERNATIVE

I have good reason for stating that the evidence of the players, including Dewar, who was alleged to have been the victim of the attack, was that Dewar never was kicked. Sheffield Wednesday officials also spoke to the same effect.

The referee and line-men are recognised as the chief witnesses regarding fact, and the Commission had no alternative but to accept their evidence.

It seems that the Commission of Enquiry, though rightly compelled to accept the evidence of the officials, nevertheless came to the conclusion that they would be wrong to inflict more than the lightest punishment. If the other evidence was what I believe it to have been, I am not surprised.

HE SAID NOTHING

Eye-witness stories suggest that two incidents happened upon the same yard of turf within a second of each other. There are people convinced Bambrick was a victim of an exceptional but understandable illusion.

One eye-witness wrote that he could only "come to the conclusion that the player must have said something. I understand that no such charge was made, and that, in fact, Bambrick said nothing at all, and accepted his dismissal like a sportsman.

That period of suspension is a blot which can never be erased, but fortunately he is the type of player who is not likely to allow it to sour his mentality. His numerous admirers will continue to believe in him as a clean, honest player.

CRICKET H. K. C. C. Teams In Friendly Matches

Both the first and second elevens of the Hong Kong Cricket Club will be playing in friendly matches to-morrow. The 1st XI will meet the Army at Home, and the second string will be playing the K.C.C. away. The teams are:—

First XI:—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), T. A. Pearce, E. R. Duckitt, H. Owen Hughes, L. D. Kilbee, R. D. Gillespie, G. S. Dunkley, H. W. Baines, J. McInnes, A. C. Growder, and F. Marshall.
Second XI:—A. K. Mackenzie (Capt.), G. E. R. Divett, J. Stein, N. P. Fox, I. S. Forbes, W. Wooding, P. C. Bond, H. J. Armstrong, J. H. Davies, J. R. Way, and J. E. Potter.

FROST AND FOG Threat To Christmas Football

London, Dec. 24
If the wise men who read the weather signs are correct, the footballer's Christmas will be some thing of a nightmare, with fog-bound trains and razor-sharp, frozen grounds a double terror, writes a correspondent.

On Saturday eight English League matches and three Scottish League games were postponed, while at Ashton Gate, Bristol, fog stopped the match ten minutes from time.

In view of the heavy holiday programme and the approach of the cup-ties, club management must be taking a serious view of the prospect of further interference with an already congested fixture list.

For the second time in a fortnight the Arsenal crowd had to be refused admission, and Referee Pinckston's decision that the ground was unplayable had a mixed reception.

My colleague Frank Coles, tells me he has seen matches played on a more dangerous surface, notably when the Arsenal, skated to a memorable Cup victory at Villa Park before a 70,000 crowd.

"I walked across the ground," he says, "and while there were some frozen patches down the middle, I think there might have softened if the ground had been played on."

The whole of the Arsenal team turned out for ball practice, and certainly the players seemed to have no difficulty in keeping their feet."

Responsibility for the decision on these occasions is carried solely by the referee, and if Mr. Pinckston believed there was danger to players, or the game could not be fairly played, he had no alternative but to order a postponement.

SUNDERLAND PROTECT FITCH
The big match of the day, at Roker Park, Sunderland, was not interfered with, in spite of the sharp frost, because the ground had been protected with tons of straw.

I wonder why more Soccer clubs do not take this very obvious, and not unduly expensive, precaution. Most of them are too ready to take a chance with the weather.

Many thousands of posts were set up during the past few days of the frost, and a few tons of straw is a cheap enough form of insurance.

Meanwhile it would be well for clubs who were not allowed to open their gates on Saturday to remember that an injury to a star player would be a serious blow on the eve of the Christmas games.

LEADING BY FIVE POINTS
The League leaders took advantage of the opportunity to press back Derby County, their nearest pursuers, and they face a stiff holiday programme with a valuable five points' lead.

Sunderland play Leeds twice, and Arsenal are at Roker next Saturday—a match which must have an important bearing on the championship.

Carters scored two more of Sunderland's goals on Saturday, and in spite of Drake's seven at Villa Park, now leads the scoring list by four goals. Twenty-two goals by an inside-forward in the first half of the season is a remarkable achievement.

VILLA'S STIFF HOLIDAY GAMES
Aston Villa, Brentford and Everton, the Dejected Three, were tested again.

The Villa have had 31 goals recorded against their reconstructed team in the four matches, and can see no hope for them in their Christmas list. They play Huddersfield twice and are at Sheffield next Saturday.

Everton are only slightly better off with two games against the Wednesday and then a visit to Derby. Brentford, at least, have two home games (Preston and Bolton Wanderers), but will not

KWANTI RACE MEETING

"DIANA CUP" ATTRACTS TWENTY ENTRIES

Interesting Program- me Arranged

Judging from the entries, some very keen racing will be seen on Sunday, January 26 when the Winter meeting of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club will be held at Kwanti. The events and entries are given below:—

Race 1.—2.30 p.m.—"The New South Wales Cup."—Over a country course of about 3 miles finishing on the Race Course. For Australian Ponies. Catchweight 155 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

Ponies:—Black Magic, Belinda, Fairy, Flummary, Lucy Gilters, Noble Amazon, The Giraffe.

Race 2.—"The Sheung Shui Steeplechase."—1½ miles. A Handicap for China Ponies. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

Burgomaster 168 lbs, Dairen 152, Diogenes 155, Happy Hit 145, Josephine 155, Soldier of Italy 158, Spinaway 152.

Race 3.—"The Beestakes."—Division B.—Over a country course of about 3 miles finishing on the Race Course. For China Ponies. Catchweight 175 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

(Note:—Owing to the large number of entries received the race has been divided into two divisions. The following draw has been made. No rider may compete in more than one division.)

Glenshee, Herga, Mortmain, Racing Luck, R.T.P., Racing Spirit, Stickybass, Canary, High West, The Snipe.

Race 4.—"The Grand Military Handicap and Sassoon Cup."—1½ miles. A hurdle race for China Ponies, Government Chargers, or the property of an Officer on the active list of H. M. Forces, or a member of the Machine Gun Troop, H.K.V.D.C. To be ridden by those qualified to enter. Winner The Sassoon Cup to remain the property of the winner for one year, with replica presented; 2nd \$40; 3rd \$30. Entry Fee \$3.

Classic Hall 158 lbs, Dairen 157, Festival Eve 170, Happy Hit 150, Ice 152, Iron Cross 157, High West 150, Nebular Star 155, Punch 157, The Gadwall 160.

Race 5.—"The Beestakes."—Division A.—Over a country course of about 3 miles finishing on the Race Course. For China Ponies. Catchweight 175 lbs. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3.

(Note:—Owing to the large number of entries received the race has been divided into two divisions. The following draw has been made. No rider may compete in more than one division.)

Artic Star, Burgomaster, Daylight, Eve, Jack Scott, Josephine, No Fear, Punch, Racing Strain, Spinaway, The Bogie.

Race 6.—"The Diana Cup."—A handicap flat race of 4 miles for China Ponies that in the opinion of the Committee are bona fide hunters. Winners this season at Kwanti barred. To be ridden by ladies. Winner A Cup or \$50; 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. Entry Fee \$3. A Silver souvenir will be presented to the winning rider.

Cloudy Eve 142 lbs, Donx 144, Ebony Idol 144, Estover 140, Fi Fa 144, King's Parade 145, Lockley Hall 144, Nebular Star 145, Paul Jones 144, Peradventure 135, Spotted 144, The Loafer 143, The Bux 135, The Quail 140, The Snipe 130, Touchstone 145, Wakefield 148, Wembley Stag 150, Wisdom Stag 145, Zlangi 130.

expect to pick up points at Deepdale on Boxing Day.

That Preston were able to pull off the best performance of the day in winning at Leeds on Saturday is not calculated to cheer them up at Griffin Park.

Chelsea, who dropped another point at Stamford Bridge, will need to make their usual Christmas spurs if they are to start their Cup campaign with easy minds.

DONCASTER ROVERS' ADVANCE
Doncaster Rovers, the surprise team of the season, firmly established themselves as a promotion force by defeating Spurs, whom they now lead in the table by two points.

They have a comparatively easy holiday task, and it would not be a surprise if they open the New Year as divisional leaders. What were the odds against this in September?

Note: also, that Doncaster played off a 20,000 crowd on Saturday, in spite of the wintry conditions, and only Sunderland of all the League clubs had a bigger gate.

HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Wednesday Shoot Results

The usual mid-week Spoon and Practice Shoot took place on Wednesday afternoon, on the Army Ranges at Kowloon City, when many members took advantage of the opportunity to practice for the forthcoming first round of the inter-affiliated Rifle Clubs competition for the Bellios Shield.

On the conditions for this event make use of the rifle "as issued" compulsory, the S.R. (a) entries showed a decided increase as compared with the number of competitors who were shooting in this class a week or so ago.

The conditions as regards the weather, which obtained on Wednesday, were by far the most difficult which have so far been experienced this season. A wind which varied greatly in both strength and direction, coupled with an ever-changing light, caused, with one or two notable exceptions, a marked decrease in the scores obtained, as will be seen from the detailed scores given below.

We are asked to state that the new handicaps for the S.R. (b) class of competitor who uses the "1914" rifle will appear in the Association's Magazine, the "H.K.R. A. Bulletin" in the January issue which will be published on the 25th instant.

The leading scores made on Wednesday were as follows, conditions being as for the King's 1st Stage:—

	200	500	600	Total
S.R. (b)	yds.	yds.	yds.	yds.
L. B. Holmes	34	32	32	98*
E. Black	32	32	31	95
S. Hemstedt	30	30	30	90*
H. A. McKay	29	29	31	89*
W. H. Peckham	31	29	29	89*

	S.R. (a)
R. Blandford	27 30 30 87
C. Good	32 27 27 86
C. Tonkings	28 31 28 85
E. Clarke	28 27 29 84
J. Smith	28 29 27 84
J. D. Pattullo	31 24 28 83
Quah	28 25 28 81
E. Back	25 30 28 81
W. J. Dyer	24 30 17 81

* using 1914 rifle
† nett spoon
‡ handicap spoon

ROWING REVIVAL AT OXFORD?

Efforts To Clean-up Boxing

London, Dec. 23
Is Oxford heading for a rowing revival? The news that Christ Church are to build a boathouse is, to my mind, full of significance, writes a correspondent.

At present, none of the Oxford college boat clubs has a boathouse, the big University Boat Club headquarters houses all the college boats, and the crews have to change in the barges moored along the opposite bank, and cross the river by a hand ferry in order to launch their shells.

The new Christ Church boathouse will have accommodation for the crews and the boats, with hot and cold showers and changing rooms.

PRIMITIVE HEADQUARTERS
I know a great many people who are convinced that one of the reasons for Oxford's long series of defeats in the Boat Race is the primitive nature of their headquarters so far as the colleges are concerned.

Men from the big rowing schools, with thoughts of a Blue, cannot be expected to enter a university, the rowing facilities at which are behind those at Cambridge.

OTHERS MAY FOLLOW SUIT
The decision of the "House" to build a brick boathouse will probably be followed by other colleges, although there will be difficulties in getting the necessary sites.

The ground by the river belongs, of course to the colleges, but nowhere does conservatism enjoy so hold as in Oxford, and permission to erect the building will not be easy to obtain.

One who will welcome the Christ Church move is Dick Talboys, the Oxford first boatman, who is responsible for the upkeep and repair of every racing eight in the university.

He is one of the busiest people at Oxford during the rowing season, and even when he is at rutney with the Boat Race crew, much of his spare time is taken up by correspondence with boat club captains who are still "up."

EVILS IN BOXING
The meeting between the representatives of the British Boxing Board of Control and the National Union of Boxers, tentatively arranged for Friday, Jan. 10, should put an end to the rumours that the Union was formed to usurp the power of the Board.

I had a most interesting conversation with a member of the Union, yesterday. I was aware of much of the "racketeering" that goes on in the game, but some of his revelations astounded me.

Unfortunately I am not in a position to disclose all he said, but if a quarter of the evils he mentioned exist then it is high time something was done.

FIGHTING FOR 11s 6d
When boxers are asked to fight six three-minute rounds for sums of 11s 6d and even less, and pay their own expenses, to say nothing of the two shillings' seconds' fee, then you will agree with me that the government of the sport is by no means perfect.

"We feel," said my informant, "that there are certain managers who should be driven out of the game. They care little for the welfare of their boxers, and use

JEAN BATTEN IN NEW AIR "CIRCUS"

London, Dec. 24
Miss Jean Batten, the aviator, is one of the directors of a new company formed by Mr. C. W. A. Scott, the famous Australia race flyer, to give air displays.

The company has taken over assets of Sir Alan Cobham's company, which for four years has toured the country.

The new company will be known as C. W. A. Scott's Flying Display Ltd. Mr. Scott is chairman, and other directors are Captain F. Phillips, Mr. H. V. Black, Mr. T. A. Pawlyn, Mr. John Leggett and Mr. T. Campbell Black. Mr. Scott's co-pilot in the famous race.

them solely for the purpose of making money.

"Why, we know of cases, in which the manager does not even trouble to see that the men in his charge do any training. The boys are left to their own devices in between fights, and when they go into the ring they haven't a chance. If they do win, it is merely because their opponents are in an even worse state than themselves."

I sincerely hope that the Union's representatives will produce the proofs of these things which I hear are in their possession. I know the B.B.C. are only too anxious to clean up the sport, but I also know that the Union can tell them a lot.

FOOTBALL SPEED V. FINESSE
America is keen on improving the standard of her Soccer, just as many of the Continental nations have done. But their players are in a quandary.

They do not know whether to concentrate on Scottish or English methods.

At the moment they are cultivating the downright purposeful play of the English clubs, but they wonder if a blending with Scottish artistry can be achieved.

SOUTH AMERICAN IDEAL
One critic says Scotland and England know all there is to be known about the game. But perhaps this is not so. Even they are still searching for a style that can be made flawless.

Another American writer suggests the Scots have sacrificed speed for craft, and England have reduced artistry in favour of slam-bang speed.

He says the South Americans have found the ideal. They cultivate speed, but have acquired the finesse that distinguishes the crafty Scot when he has the ball.

EXCLUSIVE CRICKET TEAM
One of the most exclusive cricket teams must surely be the McConchie's XI, competing in the Melbourne Metropolitan League. Only members of the family bearing that name have been allowed to play for the side for 27 years.

Between 1924 and 1931 they won the League championship in five seasons out of seven, and in all have won the championship 10 times.

They have established a record by scoring 608 for six wickets. Owen, this year's captain, and one of the three original members of the club, scored 303 not out.

OAK TREES AS TROPHIES
A Cologne message states that the German Olympic Games Committee has decided to give every winner a small oak tree in a pot, as well as the medal.

The trees will be packed in their pots so that they will be able to withstand a journey overseas. They are being grown in Berlin gardens.

F. A. CUP REPLAY

Nine Third Round Matches Decided

London, Jan. 15. Only one F. A. Cup replay remains outstanding as a result of today's programme when nine third round matches were decided. There was nothing exceptional in the results apart from West Ham coming a cropper at Luton and the defeat on their own ground, after time, of Bolton.

Chelsea got through easily and Tottenham scrapped the odd goal at Southend. Wednesday the holders advanced another stage, but Birmingham were somewhat surprisingly beaten before their own supporters.

Millwall proved no match for Stoke on the latter's pitch, whereas Tranmere found home ground advantage just sufficient to overcome Notts County.

The full results as cabled by Reuter follow:—

Chelsea	3	Norwich	1
Southend	1	Tottenham	2
Luton	4	West Ham	0
Wednesday	3	Crewe	1
Birmingham	0	Barnsley	2
Tranmere	4	Notts County	3
Leeds	3	Wolves	1
Stoke	4	Millwall	0
Bolton	0	Blackburn	1

* after extra time

REVISED DRAW

Bradford City v. Blackburn	
Liverpool v. Arsenal	
Chelsea v. Plymouth	
Derby v. Notts Forest	
Bradford v. East Bromwich	
Stoke v. Manchester U.	
Tranmere v. Barnsley	
Tottenham v. Huddersfield	
Manchester C. v. Luton	
Wednesday v. Newcastle	
Leicester v. Watford	
Port Vale v. Grimsby	
Wolves v. Leeds v. Bury	
Fulham v. Blackpool	
Middlesbrough v. Clapton O.	
Preston v. Burnley or Sheffield U.	

Watford also scored a fine achievement by beating Cardiff on the Welshmen's territory, while Crystal Palace crushed Brighton. Bristol Rovers collected two useful points at the expense of Swindon.

Results as cabled by Reuter follow:—

low:—

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Reading . . . 1 Queen's P.R. 2

JEAN BATTEN BACK IN BRITAIN-BY LINER

Dramatic Story Of Record Flight

"I NEVER FELT SO LONELY"

London, Dec. 24. Miss Jean Batten, the 25-year-old New Zealand girl who set up a world's record by flying across the South Atlantic in 13½ hours, 14 back again.

She arrived at Southampton yesterday in the Royal Mail liner Asturias, which was delayed by fog.

Jean, looking very bright and happy to be back again on the eve of Christmas, was given a civic reception by the Mayor of Southampton, and was met by Mr. John Lord, representing the Royal Aero Club, and Mr. E. W. Percival, the designer of her machine.

"I LOVE THIS MACHINE"

She brought the plane with her, and every day during the voyage from Buenos Aires she tended and looked after it as though it were a pet.

"I love this machine," she told a reporter. "I trusted my life to it and I never failed me."

In the lapel of her coat Jean was wearing four air force badges, the emblems of the Argentine, Uruguay, and Brazil (military and naval) Air Forces, of which she had been made an honorary member.

UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

Telling the story of her record flight, she said, "I left Britain on Armistice Day, and landed at Port Natal, Brazil, in 51 hours."

"It was an experience I shall never forget, and when I was flying over the South Atlantic I felt lonelier than I believed it was possible for anybody to feel. I have crossed the Timor Sea twice but I have never felt so lonely in all my life."

Crystal P. 4 Brighton 0

Bristol R. 2 Swindon 1

Cardiff 0 Watford 2

OBITUARY
Well-Known French Novelist

London, Dec. 24. Paul Bourget, the well-known French novelist, critic and poet, died on Wednesday at the age of 83.

Paul Charles Joseph Bourget was born at Amiens, the son of a teacher of mathematics, who would have had him become a teacher, too. But the youth, saturated with Balzac, De Musset, Flaubert, and Baudelaire, revolted, left home at the age of 21 set out on a literary career. His ambition was to be a poet, but after publishing two volumes of verse he decided that poetry was not his métier.

In 1884 he paid a long visit to England, and there wrote his first published story, "L'irréparable." Its success was immediate; it revealed Bourget in what was destined to be his real line—that of a pitiless analyst of the conflicting emotions that sway the lives of the upper bourgeoisie and aristocracy of Paris.

"SO TERRIBLY LONELY"

"Five miles off the West African Coast I saw the lights of a ship, and then nothing else. When I was halfway over I would have given anything to have seen a ship. I was so terribly lonely. I was flying at times at 800 feet, and through the clouds I encountered terrible weather."

"Indeed I seemed to be running into storms all the way across and on, and then I had a terrible experience. I was flying absolutely blind through one of these storms and was forced lower and lower."

Then suddenly my compass started to go wrong. The needle had turned about 180 degrees, and I thought I was lost. I decided to trust to my instruments, and gradually the compass swung back again to normal.

NOT ALONE AGAIN

The only explanation I can give is that some electrical disturbance in the doldrums must have affected my compass.

"When I was 300 miles off the Brazil coast I was overjoyed to see a cargo ship. It showed me that I was on my right course and practically at the end of the cross-Atlantic flight."

"I don't think I would like to do it alone again for this part of the flight was the best part of 2000 miles—a long stretch and a great strain."

"L'ETAPPE"

His latest novels included "L'etappe," a study of the inability of a family raised too rapidly from the peasant class to adapt itself to new conditions; and this was succeeded by "Un Divorce," in which the author set himself the task of proving that in all possible circumstances of provocation or of justification divorce was never anything but a social disaster.

The charge was freely made that snobbery rather than conviction was the foundation of his new creed, and that the later Bourget was only a very successful man of modest birth, who basked in the splendour of aristocratic society.

Bourget dramatised his novel "Un Divorce," and wrote other plays, in which he sought to portray the social-political history of his time, but drama with him did not permit of the analysis of emotion and character in which he was

Giant Liner Plan Astonishes U.S.

100,000-TON SHIPS URGED BY BANKER

London, Dec. 24

Ambitious plans for the construction of a total fleet of 230,000,000 of two super-ocean liners which, he claimed, would be bigger, faster and cheaper than either the Queen Mary or the Normandie were presented to an astonished American public today by Mr. Paul W. Chapman, the Chicago and New York banker.

Mr. Chapman was owner and president of the United States Lines when that company started building the highly successful cabin boats, Washington and Manhattan. Mr. William Perrott, a former vice-president of the United States Lines, is associated with him in the new venture, which is to be known as the Yankee Clipper Line.

Mr. Chapman wants the Federal Government to defray the entire cost of the proposed liners by a loan repayable in 10 annual instalments.

5,000 STATEROOMS

Some extraordinary features are outlined for these monster liners. They include:

Five thousand staterooms, all identically furnished with two single beds, a shower-bath and a telephone. For these 210 a passenger would be charged if two persons occupied them, £12 if a passenger wanted a cabin to himself.

Restaurants ranging from elaborate dining-saloons to cafeterias in which meals could be obtained for 1s.

Two funnels which could be lowered into the body of the ship, leaving a landing-space for planes 800ft. long and 140ft. wide.

These liners, it is suggested, would be of 100,000 tons displacement, as compared with the Queen Mary's 73,000. They would have a length of 1,250ft., compared with 1,018ft.

a master. Of his later works the greatest is his novel, "Le démon du Midi," an invaluable historical document.

Bourget was elected to the Académie early in life; he was also a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour; and since 1922 he had been curator of the Palace of Chantilly.

"THE RODA"
A Literary Magazine

A welcome addition to our book-shelf is the December issue of the Roda, a magazine of the clubs of Malaya and Siam. The current issue is beautifully printed and has seventy-two pages of interesting matters to suit all tastes. There is no denying the fact that the Roda is gradually making a place for itself as a literary magazine, as the special supplement amply testifies.

Its managing editor, Mr. Richard Sidney, is to be congratulated on his excellent selection of literary efforts from a large field of contributors. Mr. Roland Braddell, the well-known Singapore lawyer writes entertainingly on the "Artistic Value of the Commonplace." And anyone reading the article will agree with him that it is the teacher from the commonplace who alone makes one really realise the beauty of one's surroundings.

The Editorial Notes are particularly interesting and while on the subject of "Culture," Mr. Sidney has conclusively proved that Singapore, so far from being without culture, has a surprising amount of that commodity, using the word culture as defined for us in the Shorter Oxford English Dictionary.

I also find that the book reviews are ably written although somewhat overdone, there being about twelve pages devoted to "our silent friends." On the whole the Roda magazine is one which should be on the subscription list of all cultured people.—C. L. C.

NETHERLANDS BANK
DISCOUNT RATE

Amsterdam Jan. 15.

The Bank of the Netherlands lowered its discount rate on Wednesday by 1½% to 3%, this being the fifth reduction within the past three months. The rate which had been raised to 6% in September as a result of the anxiety then prevailing concerning the fate of the guilder, was lowered to 5% on October 18, to 4½% on October 21, to 4% November 4, and to 3½% on November 13.—Transocean Kuo Min.

RECTOR'S BOX OF OLD GLASS

WITHDRAWN FROM
SALE AT £1,120

400-Year-Old Window Found In Attic

(By A. C. R. Carter in the "Telegraph.")

London, Dec. 7. At Sotheby's yesterday the auction verdict on the Flemish stained glass window bought "for a song," by a Cambridgehire rector, at a country house sale in East Anglia was £1,120.

But I may state definitely that this amount does not approach the reserve price which the owner, the Rev. Richard Ridge, properly places upon the beautiful window (25ft. high), depicting scenes in the life of the Virgin. Mr. Ridge had bought it for £4 as a "box with a quantity of stained glass."

A "CHAPEL-OF-EASE"

By one o'clock yesterday over 200 persons had packed themselves into the little "chapel-of-ease" which Sotheby's had prepared for its display. There was an ominous hush after the auctioneer, Mr. Pilkington, had asked for an opening bid of £500. At length Mr. Charles Staal called £100. But the bidding obviously dragged, and advances came very slowly. Mr. Reitlinger at length nodded what turned out to be the penultimate bid of £1,100, which the auctioneer capped by the protecting bid from his book, £1,120.

When I saw the rector, immediately afterwards, he confessed that he was disappointed, yet not cast down. Although he had to spend a considerable sum of money to cause the window to be ready for sale, he feels that he can wait for some admirer to emerge who will value the window as much as he does himself.

Already a well-known and public-spirited art lover has approached Mr. Ridge, and there are hopes of a happy ending. In the last resort he may be induced to make a pious gesture himself, as he is well aware that the cathedral church of Ely in the diocese to which he belongs has no window to equal his own.

OLD AND NEW ART

It is the fashion to deride the works of Victorian artists; but at Christie's yesterday a little drawing of a pet blackbird (5in. by 7in.), by Birket Foster, in realising 54gs. was valued much more highly than three water-colours by a deservedly popular living Royal Academician, which totalled 214gs.

In his day Richard Ansell, R.A. (1815-1886) had many resounding auction successes. His picture of "A Highland Mother," painted in 1834, was left in his studio at his death. It then fetched 148gs. Yesterday Mr. Dan Sherrin won it at 34gs.

The late Sir Alexander Klew's few pictures included a Corot impression of a storm. Mr. J. Watelin, of Paris, bought it for 220gs., but in the Innes sale next week we shall see some really remarkable biddings.

Besides the rector's stained glass window at Sotheby's there was an early 18th century English needlework carpet, which Major Paget had sent from Iichen Abbey, Winchester. This brought £500, a Louis Quinze kingwood marquetry commode, sent by the "Earl of Lovelace," realising £230. A remarkable glass punch-bowl, made for John Morley of Arundel in 1732, went for £70.

FRENCH PRESS VIEWS ON JAPAN

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Paris, Jan. 15. "The Truth is," writes "Le Temps" in commenting on Japan's withdrawal from the Naval Conference, that in consequence of the widely varying conditions and requirements of the five great Naval Powers, Japan's demand for absolute parity would in practice mean inequality; and result in Japan easily securing superiority in the Pacific Ocean and Chinese Waters.

Pointing out that Japan alone is to blame for the failure of the Naval Conference should it not be able to effect a last minute rescue the paper raises the question whether Japan is still keeping the door open for new negotiations, guided by the conference, observing that Japanese diplomacy is not in the habit of antagonising world opinion.

"This nobody could have foreseen," says the paper, "at the situation created by Japan's action."

Transocean Kuo Min

...but, after all is said and done, it's the cigarette itself that counts
...the question is, does it suit you?

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Outstanding
...for mildness
...for better taste

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong Stock Exchange Sharebrokers Association

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16.							
Buyers	Sellers	Value	Volume	Buyers	Sellers	Value	Volume
Banks							
\$1,318	1,620	25	H.K. Bank	\$1,800	...	...	...
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Mining							
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...	...	...	Balecos	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	Besque (Consolidated)	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	H.K. & W. Dock	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	S. China Motors	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Shanghai Motors	...	...	...	...
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Land, Hotels, and Buildings							
...	...	...	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	H.K. Securities	...	...	...	...
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Cotton Mills							
...	...	...	Esos	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Sing Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Zong Sing	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Wing On Textiles	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Tramways	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Park Trams (old)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Yamut Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	China Lights (old)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	Telephone (old)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...
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Industries							
...	...	...	Malabou Sugars	...	...	...	...
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Miscellaneous							
...	...	...	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	Construction (old)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Lane Crawford	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	Sincere	...	...	...	...
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...	...	...	M. Greyhound	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	S. C. Enterprises	...	...	...	...
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NEW YORK STOCK AND COMMODITY QUOTATIONS

(Through Reuter's Agency)

	Last Close	January 16 Open	10:30	11:00
Cotton, May	11.04	10.96	10.95	
Rubber, December	14.53	14.52	14.51	
Chicago Wheat, May	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	
Corn, May	80	80	80	

STOCKS

Anaconda Copper	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	29
El. Bond and Share	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
General Motors	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
Montgomery Ward	36 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
N.Y. Central	30	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
U.S. Steel	48 1/2	47 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2

New York Stock Exchange Quotations appear on Page 4

BUSINESS IN TIENTSIN

Grave Feeling Of Uncertainty

Tientsin, Jan. 16.

The foreign business community in Tientsin faces the year 1936 with grave uncertainty, if not actual misgivings, due chiefly to the unsettled political situation in North China.

Although the political and military situation has been comparatively quiet for the past two or three weeks, most business men do not feel that this is lasting peace, but is more of an armistice until after the holidays or at least until after conclusion of the London Naval Conference.

The truth is that Japanese business and industrial leaders share the same belief and are reluctant to make any new commitments or undertake any new enterprises until conditions in this section have been sufficiently clarified.

Stabilized conditions in North China, they believe, will be the signal for renewed activity in all lines of business, commerce and industry. New mills are being planned, other mills and factories will be reopened, millions will be spent on improvement of communications, a fast motor road will be constructed between Tientsin and Tangku, farming will be revitalized through technical, financial and marketing aids to the farmers and other improvements will be undertaken.

But in the meantime Japanese and other foreign business men appear none too happy over present conditions. In discussing business prospects with importers and exporters, bankers, retailers, small shopkeepers, cabaret managers, shippers, professional men and merchants of all categories, the consensus of opinion was that business now is "fair" and prospects are "uncertain."

TELEPHONE AFFECTED BY WINDSTORM

Peiping, Jan. 16.

As the result of a windstorm last night, the long distance telephone service between Tientsin and Peiping was put out of commission this morning. Repairs are now being effected and service expected to be resumed some time later.

Central News Agency.

CANADIAN CONSTITUTION

Ottawa, Jan. 15.

The Canadian Provincial Governments and the Dominion Government are at present meeting to discuss amendments to the Constitution.

The conference proposes the formation of a Loan Council to give financial help to the Provincial Governments.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

LABOUR CONFERENCE

Santiago, Jan. 15.

A Pan-American Labour Conference was held here to-day, at which the American Federation of Labour and Independent Labour Federation representatives were present.

Mr. Butler, Secretary of the International Labour Office, said the meeting was a great success, being beyond his expectations.

Reuter's Bulletin Service.

AIRPLANE CRASH INQUEST

Coroner's Searching Questions

Alexandria, Jan. 15.

Keen questioning by the Coroner with regard to the time which elapsed before a search was made for the wrecked Imperial Airways liner, City of Khartoum, was the main feature of the resumed inquest on the victims of the disaster.

Mr. McMeeking, Superintendent of the air base on the night of the disaster, stated that he was told at 8 p.m. that the flying-boat had not yet landed, and he went to the landing-stage to see whether there were any signs of the liner.

He then returned to his office and asked Lieut.-Cdr. Micklethwait, of the destroyer Beagle, who was waiting to meet a passenger on the City of Khartoum, to put to sea for a search. This was at 8.15 p.m., about an hour after the accident.

The Commander-in-Chief of the British Fleet at 8.52 p.m. gave permission to Lieut.-Cdr. Micklethwait to put to sea, and the Beagle started at 9.35 p.m. The order was delayed in order to obtain the latest information from the pilot of an Imperial Airways plane who had just arrived.

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CHINESE NEW YEAR SETTLEMENT

Assistance To Peiping Merchants

Peiping, Jan. 16.

Plans to relieve the plight of merchants and shopkeepers in Peiping who are facing failure at the Chinese New Year settlement period two weeks, hence are going forward rapidly, according to Mr. Lui Tze-shang, Director of the Bureau of Social Welfare here.

General Sung Chieh-yuan and General Chin Teh-chun, the Mayor, have reached a decision to instruct the banks of the city to loan \$10,000,000 to the merchants during the next fortnight. Mr. Lui told newspapermen this morning.

Yesterday the question was discussed at two meetings, one a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and the other a meeting of the currency stabilization committee of Peiping. The latter was presided over by the Mayor, General Chin Teh-chun, and attended by financial leaders, members of the Hopedai-Chahar Political Council, the president of the Peiping Chamber of Commerce, a representative of the Tientsin Mayor and others.

Union News.

ELECTRICITY FAILS IN NEW YORK

New York, Jan. 15.

Some 60,000 persons on their way home in underground railways and occupants of over a million homes and offices were plunged into confusion at 4.15 p.m. to-day when the electric supply failed in an area comprising virtually all New York north of Manhattan and extending to the northern boundary of the Bronx.

Electric lifts and clocks stopped and Mayor La Guardia called out 18,000 extra policemen to prevent looting and disorders. Over 7,000 firemen stood by for extra service.

The black-out continued for three-quarters of an hour before the services began to be restored and the millions of emergency candles were snuffed out.

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WITHDRAWAL OF JAPAN

British Press Comment

London, Jan. 16.

The "Daily Telegraph" declares that Japan has withdrawn from the Naval Conference with dignity and good temper, but the paper admits that the loss to the world is great. Japan will very probably not plunge the nations into an armaments race, but she can now pursue her own course untrammelled by obligations.

Now that the Washington Treaty has gone the strongest security for Far Eastern peace (non-fortification of the Pacific Islands) has disappeared, and a momentous decision by Great Britain and the Empire may be required at no distant date if the balance is disturbed.

An Anglo-American naval understanding ruling out competitive building between these two great nations may partly compensate for the loss of the larger hope and in itself be a strong guarantee for peace in the Pacific.

The "Morning Post" considers there is more cause for regret than for surprise. Japan has acted entirely within her rights in denouncing a treaty she considered derogatory to her dignity or dangerous to her safety, "but we must retain our opinion that equality of security cannot be said to rest, as the Japanese case implies, upon equality in armaments."

"Now that Japan has asserted her claim to equality we look rather for co-operation than conflict in the Far Eastern sphere," the paper says.

"TIMES" VIEWS

"The Naval Conference will go on," comments the "Times," adding that when sufficient progress has been made other naval powers, such as Germany and Russia, will probably be invited to participate and work out a new treaty which will effectively contribute to the cause of peace and disarmament.

Despite yesterday's unfortunate withdrawal, says the journal, the world will continue to desire Japan's co-operation in this good and necessary work.

Japan's attitude, says the "Times," is plainly unreasonable and is to be explained only by the dominating influence now exercised in Tokyo by elements which have neither the knowledge nor the wish to understand the world outside Japan.

No responsible Japanese statesman can, says the journal, think seriously of challenging the United States to a race in naval construction. On further reflection, Japan may come to realize that an agreement on matters which they regard as secondary, such as an interchange of construction plans regarding maximum tonnage, and gun-power of individual vessels, may be better than no agreement at all.

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FRENCH STUDENTS IN ARMS

Annoyed With Prof. Jeze

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press").

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Paris, Jan. 16.

Students of all the faculties of Sorbonne have decided to enter into a general strike unless the Minister of Education cancels the lectures of Professor Jeze of the faculty of law and immediately reopens the faculty.

Professor Jeze, it will be recalled, represented Abyssinia during the investigation of the Uluat incident and thereby forfeited the sympathies of numerous Frenchmen, particularly students. The authorities, fearing disturbances in the student quarters, are taking no chances and have ordered the police to be prepared for all eventualities.

Transocean Kuo Min.

ROME COMMUNIQUE

Rome, Jan. 15.

A communique issued late to-day states that Italian forces on the southern Somali front have claimed to have won a complete victory after a lengthy battle, inflicting heavy losses on the Ethiopian regiments.

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DEATH OF LORD FORSTER

London, Jan. 15.

The death has occurred of Lord Forster, former Governor of Australia. There is no heir, both his sons having been killed in the Great War.

The late Baron Forster, who was the first holder of the title, which was created in 1915, was born on January 31, 1858, and was educated at Eton and New College,

CANADIAN PACIFIC ANNOUNCES

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	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Nagasaki	Kobe	Yokohama	Honolulu	Vancouver/Victoria
Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
E/Asia	Jan. 19	Jan. 31	Feb. 2	Feb. 4	Feb. 8	Feb. 16	Feb. 16
E/Canada	Feb. 11	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 18	Feb. 20	Mar. 1	Mar. 1
E/Russia	Feb. 26	Feb. 28	Mar. 1	Mar. 3	Mar. 5	Mar. 14	Mar. 14
E/Japan	Mar. 6	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar. 24	Mar. 24
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	April 6	April 6
E/Canada	April 3	April 5	April 8	April 10	April 17	April 22	April 22
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25	May 4	May 4
E/Japan	May 1	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 14	May 19	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	June 1	June 1
E/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 29	June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28	July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 27	July 27

TO MANILA

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA ... Feb. 1st.

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SEATTLE & VANCOUVER.

HIKAWA MARU (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 3rd Feb.
HIVE MARU (Starts from Kobe) Tuesday, 15th Feb.

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM

KATORI MARU ... Saturday, 18th Jan.

KASHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 1st Feb.

YASUKUNI MARU ... Friday, 14th Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Port.

KAWO MARU ... Saturday, 25th Jan.

KITANO MARU ... Saturday, 22nd Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

MAYEASHI MARU ... Tuesday, 28th Jan.

MURORAN MARU ... Thursday, 30th Jan.

GINYO MARU ... Tuesday, 11th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

HEIYO MARU ... Tuesday, 4th Feb.

NEW YORK via Panama.

NAGARA MARU ... Saturday, 8th Feb.

NOJIMA MARU ... Thursday, 5th Mar.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus.

Genoa and Valencia.

DURBAN MARU ... Saturday, 18th Jan.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

TOKUSHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 29th Jan.

TSUSHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 8th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HAKONE MARU ... Friday, 17th Jan.

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ATHOS II ... 2nd Feb. 1936.	CHRONOCEAUX ... 25th Feb. 1936.
PAUL DOUMER ... 8th Mar. 1936.	ATHOS II ... 10th Mar. 1936.
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WARSHIP FROM WALKER YARD

The Newcastle Of 9,000 Tons

The cruiser Newcastle will be launched from the yard of Vickers-Armstrongs, Limited, Walker-on-Tyne, on January 23. This is the first of the new 9,000-ton ships which are being named after cities of the United Kingdom, eight of which are building or authorized. The Newcastle was originally to have been called the Minotaur, and to have continued the Leander class of 7,000-ton cruisers, but before her keel was laid the First Lord announced that, owing to the trend of design abroad, it was necessary to increase the tonnage in order that the new ships should not be definitely inferior to those being developed by other Powers. The Newcastle will be the first warship for many years to be launched from the Walker yard, which has been closed for 3½ years, or since the completion of the steamship Monarch of Bermuda, when it was reopened in September, 1934. The naming ceremony will be performed by the Duchess of Northumberland.

VESSELS DUE

Ajax, B. & S., February 16.		
Antenor, B. & S., February 1.		
Athos II, Messageries, February 22.		
Australien, E.A. Co., February 7.		
Behar, P. & O., January 17.		
Calchao, B. & S., February 4.		
Calcutta, P. & O., January 23.		
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., January 19.		
City of Bristol, Bank Line, Feb. 29.		
City of Khios, Bank Line, Feb. 5.		
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Feb. 13.		
Corfu, P. & O., February 20.		
Crefeld, Melchers, January 23.		
Dionede, B. & S., February 10.		
Duisburg, Jensen's, January 25.		
Durban Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 18.		
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Jan. 17.		
Empress of Japan, C.P.S., Feb. 23.		
Empress of Russia, C.P.S., February 1.		
Frederick, Melchers, Jan. 23.		
General Sherman, States Co., Jan. 24.		
Gerardo, Maersk, Jensen's, January 26.		
G.G. Paul Doumer, Mess., Jan. 24.		
Groenland, Melchers, February 4.		
Golden Mountain, States Co., Jan. 17.		
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, January 21.		
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 20.		
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 17.		
Hector, B. & S., February 29.		
Heimward, Jensen's, Jan. 22.		
Hellas, Thoresen's, January 17.		
Hermord, Thoresen's, January 23.		
Hilda, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 21.		
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 17.		
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 17.		
Levensham, Jensen's, Jan. 20.		
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., January 22.		
Lycano, B. & S., Jan. 26.		
Mcmanon, B. & S., January 19.		
Nackar, Melchers, February 7.		
Nellere, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 30.		
Nora Maersk, Jensen's, Jan. 28.		
Order, Melchers, January 21.		
Patroclus, B. & S., February 12.		
President Monroe, Dollar, Jan. 17.		
Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, Jan. 17.		
Preussens, Jensen's, Feb. 3.		
Rajputana, P. & O., January 24.		
Ravenspind, P. & O., February 4.		
Rheinland, Jensen's, February 19.		
Roseville, Bank Line, Jan. 23.		
Ruhr, Jensen's, February 9.		
Shirata, B.I. (Aper), Jan. 21.		
Sirdhana, B.I. (Aper), Jan. 20.		
Somali, P. & O., February 18.		
Somerville, Bank Line, Jan. 21.		
Soudan, P. & O., February 1.		
Sphinx, Messageries, January 25.		
Stuttgart, Melchers, Jan. 24.		
Suiyang, B. & S., Jan. 17.		
Sunning, B. & S., Jan. 18.		

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

The freight returns, received from the Harbour Office during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, show a considerably high tonnage movement, a large proportion of which being made up by British ships.

The total tonnage of general cargo carried by vessels to the Colony was 9,203 tons, with British steamers carrying 4,903 tons.

Through cargo for ports beyond the Colony amounted to 33,887 tons, of which 9,388 tons were carried by British steamers.

Asiatic deck passengers enquiring into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were 1,156, of which 838 were from British steamers.

There were altogether 17 arrivals, of which 7 were of British registry, the remainder being of other nationalities, while of the 19 departures, 7 were British ships, the rest being of other different countries. Particulars as follows:—

Nationality Ships Tonnage

British	7	14,291
German	2	11,490
Danish	1	10,115
Norwegian	1	1,891
Japanese	3	4,151
Chinese	3	1,152
Total	17	43,090

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following list of ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong Radio yesterday:—

Katori Maru, Empress of Japan, Empress of Canada, Toko Maru, Tai Ping Yang, Scopas, China Importer, Nanning, Hydrangea, Stuttgart, Hai Lee, Isar, Glaucus, Sui Yang, Hakone Maru, President Jefferson, President Monroe, Behar, Michael Jensen and Shan Chih.

CLEARANCES

16TH JANUARY.

Bengal Maru, for Singapore
Africa, for Shanghai
Huashan Maru, for Canton
Pei Chin, for Swatow
Hai Yuan, for Canton
President Coolidge, for Manila
Sui Yang, for Canton

Tai Ping Yang, Dodwell's, January 18
Taiwan, Thoresen's, January 23
Tatshyng, B. & S., February 18
Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., Feb. 5
Taybank, Bank Line, Jan. 23
Teneris, B. & S., Jan. 27
Teneris, Thoresen's, January 23
Tencer, B. & S., February 4
Tilawa, B.I. (Aper), February 4
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Jan. 22
Tjissak, J.C.J. Line, January 23
Tjissandari, J.C.J. Line, Jan. 18
Trianon, Thoresen's, January 23
Tyndareus, B. & S., February 7
Tweedbank, Bank Line, February 25
Whitcha, States Co., Jan. 22
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 18

LATEST BRITISH DESTROYERS

To Have Speedboats Of 22 Knots

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

The latest British destroyers are to have speedboats which will be the fastest ever built for the Navy. Trials of five such launches have just been carried out in Southampton Water. Forming the first of a batch of 25 ordered by the Admiralty, the tested launcher gave an excellent performance. With a normal speed of 22 knots at which the 100-horse power engine makes 2,200 revolutions per minute, each boat was found capable of reaching 26 knots. Even at that speed the engines were noticed to be particularly quiet. The launches, which are 25 feet long, can be swung inboard by the destroyers to which they belong, yet they are spacious enough to hold as many as 33 people.

ARRIVALS

16TH JANUARY.

Pei Chin, Chinese steamer, 1,002 tons, Captain P. Vassiloff, from Canton, buoy No. A16.—Yee Tai Hong.

Kitano Maru, Japanese steamer, 4,926 tons, Captain T. Ideno, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—N. Y. K.

President Coolidge, American steamer, 13,029 tons, Captain K. A. Ahlin, from San Francisco via Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar Line.

Hai Yuan, Chinese steamer, 2,078 tons, Captain J. M. Johannessen, from Shanghai via Swatow, C. M. S. N. Wharf.—C. M. S. N. & Co.

Hozan Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,383 tons, Captain H. Sato, from Keelung via Swatow, buoy No. B9.—O. S. K.

Kum Sang, British steamer, 2,341 tons, Captain D. G. Burleigh, from Calcutta via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Kiungchow, British steamer, 1,545 tons, Captain J. H. Hodgkiss, from Canton, buoy No. B16.—B. & S.

Talma, British steamer, 6,154 tons, Captain Hole, from Amoy, buoy No. A1.—M. M. & Co.

Muinam, Danish steamer, 1,739 tons, Captain V. L. Reister, from Singapore via Holwh, buoy No. B3.—Butterfield and Swire.

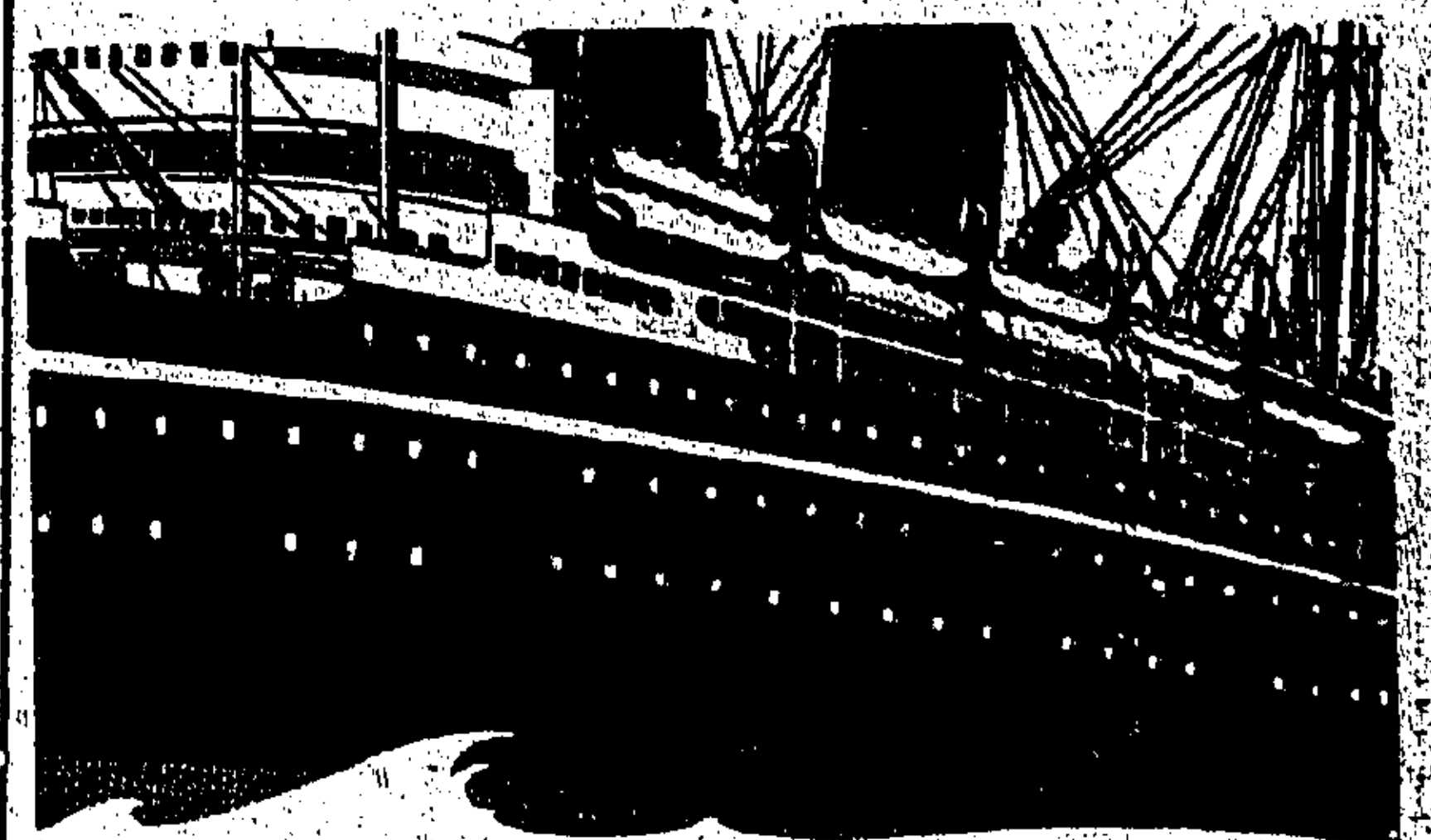
Canton, French steamer, 978 tons, Captain G. Charlot, from Haiphong, buoy No. C1.—M. M. & Co.

Tonjer, Norwegian steamer, 1,949 tons, Captain H. Kvamsø, from Chinwangtao, buoy No. B25.—Dodwell & Co.

Sui Yang, British steamer, 1,594 tons, Captain D. Williams, from Amoy, buoy No. B1.—B. & S.

15TH JANUARY.

City of Hereford, British steamer, 3,214 tons, Captain W. J. Merchant, from Antwerp via Singapore, buoy No. A8.—Bank Line.



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*WEYPORE	6,000	18th Feb.	Straits, Colombo and Bombay.
*CATHAY	15,000	2nd Feb.	Marseilles and London.
*BURDWAN	6,000	28th Feb.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, R'dam, Antwerp & Hull.
*RAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Mar.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*CORFU	14,000	21st Mar.	Marseilles & London.
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NANKIN	7,000	3rd Apr.	

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TANDA	7,000	6th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
TILAWA	10,000	7th Feb.	do
RAWALPINDI	17,000	7th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan
*SOMLA	1,000	14th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
SANTHA	2,000	21st Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
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